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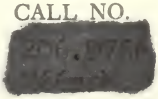

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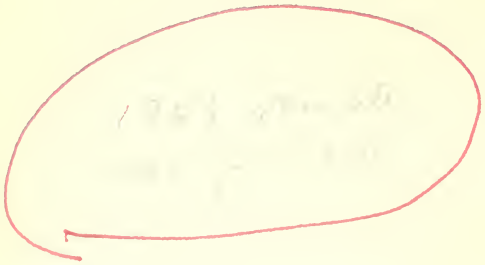

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PROCEEDINGS

37th Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association

MULLS CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

October 16, 1947

1. The Association was called to order promptly at 9:30 a.m., by Vice-Moderator J. R. Huffman. Rev. C. R. Upton led the song service and Rev. J. David Goodwin led the devotional, reading from Ephesians 2. The Vice-Moderator asked Mrs. Attley Rhoney to please act as Clerk as the Clerk, Sam Proctor was not there.

2. Pastor J. E. Huffman, of the host church, brought appropriate words of welcome for himself and for the Mull's Chapel Church.

3. The following visitors were recognized at this time: Rev. J. Walton, E. L. McDaniel, Rev. C. R. Upton, R. V. Carpenter, J. W. Whitner.

4. The report on Sunday Schools was read by Miss Lysbeth Cox and adopted as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT OF THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION 1946-47

During the year five Associational Meetings were held. Out of the 26 churches 15 were represented and 10 of the 19 pastors attended one or more meetings. The average attendance was 59.

Early in the year department leaders and group captains were elected. Six teams were organized to carry the Southwide program into all the churches.

At the spring meeting it was reported that practically every church had been visited and that most of them had manifested interest in the program.

More interest was shown in Vacation Bible Schools, and more than half the churches held Bible Schools this year. Some for the first time.

The Association again voted to can produce for our orphanage.

A desire to go forward for the cause of Christ was manifested by those attending the meetings, but it is deeply regretted that we did not have the cooperation of all churches, superintendents and pastors.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. WM. HUDSON, Ass'n. Sec.

5. The Training Union Report was not given but the work was discussed by Rev. John Carter.

6. The report on Vacation Bible Schools was read by J. R. Huffman, and adopted as follows:

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

We have had the best year in the South Mountain Association this year on Bible Schools in the history of our Association. There were held this year 14 Bible Schools with an average enrollment of 68. Last year we had 12 Schools with an average enrollment of 64. On the First of September, there were over 1200 Schools reported in N. C. There will probably be 1500 or more. Several Associations have reported 100% of Churches holding Bible Schools. We hope that next year our Association will be 100% in this great work. Out of 1200 Schools, 746 of them have reported 1938 conversions. 870 of these Schools made a total offering to Missions of more than $12,600.00.

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover says: "There is so much crime and juvenile delinquency today because people have lost a sense of SIN." You and I know that the only correct conception of sin is found in the Bible. Last year there were 2502 boys and girls enlisted in Bible Schools who did not attend any Church. The Nation's crime bill was 17 billion dollars last year. Again, Mr. Hoover says, "The greatest insurance against crime is Church attendance." So, may we get behind the Great Bible School movement under the leadership of the Spirit of God and save not only the money that is now spent for crime, but more especially save the lives of our boys and girls, thus making this Great Land of ours a Greater Land.

Respectively submitted,

JAMES R. HUFFMAN.

7. The report on W. M. U. was read by the Clerk, in the absence of Mrs. J. O. Summerlin, and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF WOMENS WORK OF THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION

We all agree that the greatest task on earth is the giving of the Gospel to the whole world. Jesus in his last message to his disciples, said, "Go ye and make disciples of all Nations." His will and command are to be obeyed. Each church member in each church is called upon to perform this duty. The world has made some progress this year. More W. M. S. and Young People's organizations are functioning. New organizations have been reported. The first native born boy of the South Mountain Association to attain the rank of Page is Jimmie Carswell of the Carswell Memorial Church.

We trust that you will help make this next year a greater success than the past has been. We must begin where we are, our Jerusalem, and thence to the ends of the earth.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. J. O. SUMMERLIN.

8. The report on North Carolina Baptist Children's Home was read by Garland Young and spoken to by Rev. J. Walton, Pastor of the Mills Home Baptist Church.

REPORT ON BAPTIST ORPHANAGE OF NORTH CAROLINA

The Baptist Orphanage was founded for the purpose of caring for orphan children. There are over a thousand children in the orphanages of North Carolina with both parents living. This is a result of the many broken homes in our State.

The Baptist Orphanage has not been able to accept all the children for whom applications have been made. In order to care for more needy children in these days when expansion in building is almost impossible, the Orphanage authorities have developed a programme of home care. By this method children are placed in Christian homes and are cared for by kind and sympathetic friends. Other children are sometimes left in their own homes and given financial support.

This method enables the Orphanage to aid more deserving children, and to help keep mothers and children together in their homes.

Last year the Orphanage cared for seven hundred children; sixty of these were cared for in boarding homes and fifty by mother's aid. Last year service was made available to 1107 children. This was made possible through the loyalty of our denomination and the faithful churches, which every month, made an offering to the Orphanage, and then on Thanksgiving made a special offering.

The soil has always been the friend to the Orphanage, and in addition to cash offerings, which must be made regular, the Orphanage can at all times use canned goods and other provisions gathered from the farm.

Respectfully submitted,

GARLAND YOUNG.

9. After this address, the Moderator, Perry Abernathy gave a report on the work of the Executive Board which was adopted as follows:

THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT—OCTOBER, 1947

To The Association:

It is with a deep sense of gratitude and humility, and yet with a sense of pride, the Executive Committee presents this report to the thirty-seventh annual session of this Association.

The Executive Committee had four meetings last year. All sessions were called to consider our mission work and the financing of Vacation Bible Schools. We employed Mrs. Ted Braswell as Vacation Bible School teacher and missionary from June until September and we also had Miss Ruby Duckworth with us for several weeks. Both Mrs. Braswell's and Miss Duckworth's work is greatly appreciated.

The effort of the Executive Committee for the past year to provide an Associational Missionary has at last been successful. Trained and suitable persons for this type work are hard to find and are much in demand as there are more than forty Associations in our State that now have missionaries or are trying to find one.

We feel that certainly the Lord led us in securing the services of so fine a person as we have in Miss Lysbeth Cox, our new Associational Missionary. Miss Cox comes to us highly recommended by our State Board, and we feel sure she is going to be a great blessing to our churches and she will be a full time worker, so please don't fail to call on her for assistance.

Respectively submitted,

J. PERRY ABERNATHY,Moderator,
Chairman Executive Committee.

10. The Moderator asked that they not consider him for re-election. The Association gave him a rising vote of appreciation for his fine work as Moderator for the past six years Also at this time the Association elected Mrs. J. D. Goodwin as Clerk for this session of the Association.

11. The Moderator appointed a Committee on Committees. They were to make their report before lunch.

12. The time having arrived for the Introductory Sermon, the Congregation stood and a hymn was sung, after which the Presiding Officer presented Pastor Geter Poarch, of the Oak Ridge Church, who brought a soul-stirring message.

13. Report of Committee on Committees:

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

Finance Committee—Rev. Jason Stilwell, Mrs. Jones Abernathy, Mrs. D. C. Upton
Place and Preacher—Rev. Geter Poarch, R. C. White, Attley Rhoney.
Nominating Committee—Miss Lysbeth Cox, Rev. S. M. Stroupe, Rev. Clifton Cooper, Sammy Proctor, S. A. Carswell, W. M. Hudson.
Program Committee—Rev. J. E. Huffman, Rev. J. David Goodwin, Rev. H. A. Quick.
Resolution Committee—Mrs. H. A. Quick, Mrs. Dwight Mull.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Committees,
H. A. QUICK, S. M. STROUPE, JOHN E. CARTER.

14. After prayer by Miss Lysbeth Cox the Association adjourned for lunch.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

15. The Association was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Vice-Moderator J. R. Huffman. Rev. C. R. Upton led the song service and Rev. S. M. Stroupe led the devotional.

16. At this time the following visitors were recognized: Dr. R. A. Dyer, Gardner-Webb College; B. F. Peeler, Caldwell Association; Dr. C. C. Carpentar, Baptist Hospital.

17. A request was made to appoint a committee to investigate the possibilities of a pension for the widow of Rev. Ciscero Queen. The following were named as a committee: Rev. Johnny Smart, Claude Lindsey, Mr. Cook.

18. President of pastors conference, Rev. L. A. Miller, called for a meeting of the pastors on the second day of the Associational Meeting.

19. The report on Relief and Annuities was read by Rev. J. O. Summerlin, spoken to by him.

REPORT ON THE MINISTERS RETIREMENT PLAN

Every one who is acquainted with public works are acquainted with Social Security and of its helpfulness. The Ministers' Retirement Plan was inaugurated and set in motion for a similar purpose and benefit. As Baptist, we believe in separation of Church and State, and are freedom loving people. Our forefathers did not believe the people should have to pay tax to support a church. When Congress was about to tax the church and bring the churches under the Social Security Act, our Baptist leaders said, "Give us a chance and we will provide a plan wherewith we may be able to take care of our aged and disabled ministers." Retirement Plan comes into being.

Many of our churches and pastors have thought little about what has been done for them by their leaders. According to the Ledger in Raleigh for the State of North Carolina, the South Mountain Association shows only one member at present.

We have now forty-five members and ten widows who are receiving a check each month from the Relief and Annuity Board. There have been 765 certificates issued since the plan was inaugurated, but many have moved from the State. Some have withdrawn, some have died. We have between five and six hundred active members on our ledger at this time. We have about 250 members of the Widows Supplement to the plan.

Pastors may join any month in the year, for the year, but they cannot join the Widows Supplement to the plan at any time except on January 1st, unless they come to our state and have been a member in the former church up to the time they come here. It is hoped that more pastors will come into the Plan and thus provide for the rainy day and old age.

Respectfully submitted,
J. O. SUMMERLIN.

20. At this time we had an address by Dr. R. A. Dyer, representative of Gardner-Webb College.

21. The report on Baptist Hospital was submitted by Rev. J. E. Huffman, in the absence of Attley Rhoney. This report was spoken to in an able address by Dr. C. C. Carpentar, representative of North Carolina Baptist Hospital, then adopted as follows:

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

When Established:

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital was incorporated in 1922 and received its first patient May 28, 1923. Originally planned as a 100-bed institution, it was enlarged in 1942 to a capacity of 247 beds and 55 bassinets. The Out-Patient Building was opened July 1, 1946.

Its Purpose:

The underlying purpose of the Baptist Hospital has always been medical care for the poor. Since the day it received its first patient it has offered a high type of hospital care on a statewide basis. Its caliber of service was anhanced many times over when the Wake Forest Medical School became a four-year school in 1941 and was located adjacent to the Baptist Hospital. When the Baptist Hospital became a teaching hospital, its purpose became twofold—teaching and healing became the twin endeavors of Christ.

North Carolina Baptists have developed in their hospital one of the greatest medical centers in our country, and at the same time one of the strongest influences for the cause of Christ. Its opportunities for serving as an agency of mercy, as a means of teaching, and as a means of spreading the influence of Christ are a challenge to the generous heart of our great denomination that its program will not be restricted for lack of money. All of its activities are operated on the highest of standards, and hence it requires a tremendous budget. It is self-supporting with the exception of its charity work, and it is for this merciful side of its program that it again makes its appeal to its own people on Mother's Day.

Respectively submitted,
J. E. HUFFMAN.

The Congregation stood and sang a hymn, after which the afternoon session came to a close with prayer.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

22. The Second Day Morning Session was called to order at 9:30 a.m. by Vice-Moderator J. R. Huffman. The opening song service was led by Rev. J. O. Summerlin. Devotional by Rev. L. A. Miller.

23. The following visitors were recognized at this time: Eugene Olive, Wake Forest College; Dr. E. L. Spivie, State Board Representative; Rev. E. F. Sullivan, Hickory; Dr. J. A. McCloud, Mars Hill College Representative.

24. The Associational Missionary, Miss Lysbeth Cox, gave a brief outline of her proposed work for the Association.

25. The report of the former Associational Missionary, Mrs. Ted Braswell, was read by Rev. John Carter, and was adopted, as follows:

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS IN SOUTH MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION—1947

MRS. TED G. BRASWELL, Associational Missionary

Church	Enrolled	Av. Att.	Attend.	Per. Att.	Saved	Offering
Bethany	108	98	113	77	3	$ 9.59
Beulah	50	35	53	22	0	2.05
Carswell Memorial	38	32	41	14	1	5.58
Connelly Springs	79	69	82	45	0	7.46
Icard	126	103	131		0	16.63
Mt. Gilead	32	30	38		0	2.56
Mt. Hebron	53	47	59	31	0	
Mt. Vernon	63	55	64		0	18.48
Mull's Chapel	64	56	68	33	0	9.00
Oak Ridge	58	51	60	40	2	6.52
Shoupe's Grove	40	42	50	8	0	5.00
South Fork	49	43	54	34	0	14.00
Wilkie's Grove	51	34	52	27	0	3.24
Zion Hill	56	55	64	40	0	3.66
	867	750	929	371	6	$103.77

WORK REPORT

	June	July	August	Sept.		
No. Vacation Bible Schools	1	6	4			
B. T. U. Study Course				1		
W. M. U. Study Course				1		
Total	1	6	4	2	=	13
Miles Traveled	218	1000	1244	495	=	2957
Conferences (Individual)	4	93	163	12	=	272
Conferences (Group)	2	10	17	4	=	33
Conferences (Continued)	1	3	3	4	=	11
Total Conferences	7	106	183	20	=	316

26. The Report on State Missions was read by R. C. White, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

More than one hundred years ago, the purpose of the state mission was to promote evangelism, establish and support churches by giving aid to the pastors of said churches until such time as they could become self supporting.

State mission also promotes missions, education, social service, the distribution and study of the Bible and sound religious literature and to cooperate with the Southern Baptist convention in its work.

Moreover as will be observed for the past forty-five years the convention through the State Mission has given increasing attention to the teaching of the people in Sunday School; and for the past thirty years to the training of the people in churches through the Baptist Training Union.

If "Where there is no vision the people perish" be true, it is obvious that where there is vision the people grow, because they are being nourished.

Let us do all we can to become better acquainted with the work of our State Mission Board, and give it our hearty support.

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. WHITE.

27. The Report on Home Missions was read by Rev. Jason Stillwell, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

In the 6th Chapter of the Gospel recorded by Mark, from the 34th verse to the 44th verse we have a beautiful picture of Christ using humanity to feed a hungry multitude. Paul tells us in 1st. Cor. 3-9. that we are "Laborers together with Christ."

Jesus had taught the people until it was getting late in the afternoon and they were beginning to get hungry. He asked the disciples "what they had to eat" they said that a lad was in the crowd with Five Loaves and Two Fishes. Jesus said they need not go away, Give Ye them to eat.

Jesus sees the millions today that are hungry in their souls. He is saying to the church, to every person "give ye them to eat." He has a great compassion for every lost soul today. This multitude was in a desert place. What a striking picture this is today of the multitude that is in the desert of sin. The day was far spent and the disciples said to send the people into the villages and the country that they might buy bread. The church seems to say in this age, send the sinner man away. But Christ is saying to us "give ye them to eat." The disciples said "we have nothing" there are so many churches that are saying, "we have nothing, we can't support missions. Christ paid them no heed. He asked that the loaves and fishes be brought to Him. He took them, although little it was, and multiplied it and they all had plenty and twelve baskets were filled when they had eaten. Christ has that same power now. If we will give as the boy gave (all he had) then the gospel will be preached to every creature. Christ took the boy into partnership with Him and let him receive a great blessing. Are we truly colaborers with Christ? Are we sharing the burden with Him? The boy gave Jesus all he had. Jesus took it and blessed it. Jesus gave it to the disciples (the church) they gave it to the multitude. They were all filled. May God help us to Give Jesus the best we have and the Gospel will be preached in our Home Land and all over the world.

Respectfully submitted
REV. JASON STILWELL.

28. The Report on Foreign Missions was read by Rev. L. A. Miller, and adopted as follows:

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

"And ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth." Acts 1:8

Marked progress has been made in sending missionaries back to war areas. One hundred and fifteen have returned to China; one to Japan; and plans are under way for others to follow. One couple in Spain and another in Italy. Several additions have been made to the staff in the Near East.

The Board now has 565 active and 94 retired missionaries which makes a total of 659 who must receive financial support from the Board.

Extensive projects for relief and rehabilitation have been made this year. This was made possible by the special offering contributed by Southern Baptists, which made a total of $3,914,085.

The relief funds have given help to thousands of destitute people in China, Japan, and Europe, including pastors, teachers, and other Christian workers.

Rehabilitation funds have been used to repair Church buildings, school plants rebuilt, hospitals restored, and missionary homes provided.

For many years the Lottie Moon Christmas offering has provided funds for practically all buildings and equipment of our Board in all foreign fields. Without these funds the current operations of the Board would have been drastically reduced. The last report of the 1946 Christmas offering was $1,348,836.92.

All of this sounds good, and very good, but take a look at this. The Foreign Board had over 100 fully prepared volunteers ready for appointment in 1947, and has prospects for at least 150 in 1948. It is probable that a considerable number of these volunteers will have to be refused because the Board has reached the limit in its operating budget on the basis of the present receipts from the cooperative program.

Added opportunity brings greater responsibility. Let us accept the challenge to enlist one million tithers and raise the Lottie Moon offering that we may send all who are called of God to go, that we may free our hands from the blood of all men.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. MILLER.

29. These Reports were spoken to in an able address by Rev. Eugene Olive, of Wake Forest College.

30. The Report on the Nominating Committee was read by Lysbeth Cox and reads as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your nominating committee wishes to present the following names as your officers for 1948:

Moderator—Rev. S. M. Stroupe
Vice-Moderator—Rev. H. A. Quick
Treasurer—P. M. Deal
Clerk—Mrs. J. D. Goodwin
Treasurer of Missions—J. Perry Abernathy
Sunday School Superintendent—Guy Smith
Training Union Director—Miss Lucille Upton

Respectfully submitted,
Nominating Committee,
LYSBETH COX, CLIFTON COOPER, S. A. CARSWELL, W. M. HUDSON, SAM PROCTOR, S. M. STROUPE.

31. The Report on Temperance and Social Service was read by Rev. J. David Goodwin, spoken to by Rev. E. F. Sullivan, who brought a soul-stirring message, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICE

This report cannot deal with every social problem. Only a few can be mentioned, and these, but briefly considered.

The Lord's Day

We view with alarm the flagrant way multitudes of our church members desecrate the Holy Lord's Day, using it for secular work and worldly pleasure, seemingly without sense of guilt or shame. We earnestly remind them that God set aside and made sacred this day of each week to be kept holy in joyful and worshipful commemoration of our Lord's resurrection from the dead, and to desecrate it is to wickedly disregard God's revealed will and shows disrespect to our Lord Jesus Christ and His resurrection. We beseech our people to keep sacred in their hearts and to observe properly the Holy Lord's Day.

Marriage

We feel the urgent need that our people be instructed in the teaching of the scriptures concerning marriage. That marriage is a sacred and lifelong relationship that can be dissolved only by death without the darkest guilt upon the husband or wife—whichever is responsible for the dissolution—and upon both when both adulterer or adultress, marriage to another is itself adultry. We feel the special urgency of this instruction due to so many hasty marriages.

Alcohol

Alcohol is a poisonous, habit forming drug. It should be placed in the same class with morphine, cocaine, or opium. To habituate one's self to the use of alcohol should be regarded in the same way as habituating one's self to the use of any other poisonous, habit forming drug. We raise our loud and bitter protest against what is called moderate or social drinking. We declare it to be one of the most prolific causes of juvenile delinquency and of adult poverty, suffering, immorality and crime. We remind the members of our churches that to indulge in it is to run the dreadful risk of becoming drunkards, is to throw the whole weight of their influence and example in favor of drinking and drunkenness, and is to be false and untrue to their sacred covenant with their church and their God.

We regard the attitude of our present federal government toward liquors as a reproach to our nation, detrimental to society and opposed to the welfare of the people.

We denounce the flow of liquor propaganda, with which our country is being flooded, as false, inhuman, and diabolical.

We reaffirm our position that a legalized government protected liquor traffic has no right place in a civilized, or any other social order. That reason and sad experience teach us that the only right way to deal with the liquor traffic is to outlaw it and then use every available means to exterminate it. We appeal to all citizens to unite in a determined, ceaseless, unrelenting effort to take our great commonwealth out of the nefarious liquor business and to take the protecting, enfolding arms of Old Glory from over and about this ruthless enemy of mankind. We commend the North Carolina Temperance, and Mr. Martin for the work they are doing, and we bespeak for them the liberal financial support and cooperation of our churches and individuals.

We would also like to commend our own Rev. Ed Sullivan for the great fight and victory he lead the people in against liquor in the city of Hickory, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,
J. DAVID GOODWIN.

32. The time having arrived for the message, the congregation stood and a hymn was sung after which the Moderator presented Rev. J. E. Huffman, who was chosen speaker for the hour. After the message the meeting adjourned for lunch with prayer by Rev. J. O. Summerlin.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

33. The Association convened at 1:30 p.m., with Vice-Moderator J. R. Huffman in the chair. Rev. J. O. Summerlin led the song service and Rev. Johnny Smart led the devotional.

34. The Report on Christian Education was read by Rev. H. A. Quick, and spoken to by Dr. John A. McCloud as the representative of Mars Hill College. The report was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

What is Christian Education? This is an important question to an age that is shot through and through with secularism.

Someone has well defined Christian Education as that education which gives due attention and emphasis to the facts, principles, and applications of Christianity by Christian exponents, under Christian auspices, for distinctively Christian end.

It is the very foundation of our civilization and likewise part of Christ's great world program. Jesus taught his disciples for three years before he sent them out to preach His Gospel. Paul surely had the mind of Christ himself when he uttered those commanding words to Timothy, "Study to show thyself approved unto God a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

I think I am correct in saying that Jesus is given the title of "Teacher" forty-five times in the New Testament, and spent most of His ministry in a teaching ministry. If this be true, we should be on the alert in doing what we can to maintain Christian education in this nation and more especially in our state.

In our homes, I am sure that everyone of us could and should spend more time with our Bibles, and could and should spend more of our time in teaching the book to our children. For no person who knows his Bible can be said to be ignorant. The teaching of it and the learning of it brings a satisfaction to both old and young such as can be had from no other source.

In our Church we should make better progress in spreading Christian Education if we would give our minds and thought to the cause. In the Church we have the Sunday School, B. T. U., Vacation Bible School and Missionary organizations where there is a place for each of us to put our shoulders to the wheel, and where that individually and collectively our efforts would total a far greater advancement in Christian Education than is now enjoyed. The Master commanded us to Teach and we think our churches could go at the task more seriously, making this a more and vital factor in our church life.

Finally, it seems our Christian Schools and Colleges are worthy of a greater place in our minds and accordingly more support from us. These institutions are going a long way toward meeting a great need in this field, but their degree of success only reaches so far as our cooperation and support goes. In no other way can we support them so well as to plan and strive harder toward sending to them our sons and daughters, and with our money and prayers.

Respectfully submitted,
H. A. QUICK.

35. The report on Denominational Literature was not given, but was discussed by Rev. H. A. Quick and Rev. J. O. Summerlin.

36. The report of the Associational Missions Treasurer was read by Rev. John E. Carter at this time and adopted as follows:

FINANCIAL REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS TREASURER

Balance on hand as of October 18, 1946		$ 68.80
Receipts:		
Bethany	$ 25.00	
Beulah	10.00	
Connelly Springs	25.00	
Icard	100.00	
Mt. Hebron	50.00	
Mt. Vernon	18.00	
Mt. Zion	8.00	
Mull's Chapel	8.00	
Oak Ridge	30.00	
South Fork	50.00	
Zion Hill	100.00	
State Board—Missionary	94.00	
State Board—Extra Worker	30.00	
Total	$548.00	548.00
GRAND TOTAL		$616.80
Expenditures:		
Baptist Book Store (For Supplies)	$ 25.80	
Mrs. Ted G. Braswell (Remuneration)	50.00	
Mrs. Ted G. Braswell (Remuneration)	50.00	
Mrs. Ted G. Braswell (Remuneration)	100.00	
Mrs. J. A. Heilig (Remuneration)	20.00	
Miss Ruby Duckworth (Remuneration)	60.00	
Total	$305.80	$305.80
Balance In Bank		$303.00
Balance Cash In Hand		8.00
TOTAL BALANCE		$311.00
Funds Collectible:		
State Board—Missionary	$ 75.00	$ 75.00
		$386.00
Bills Outstanding:		
Mrs. Ted G. Braswell (Remuneration)	$138.00	
Mrs. Ted G. Braswell (Supplies)	4.67	
Total	$142.67	142.67
FINAL BALANCE		$243.33

This final balance is the amount that will be in the treasury when collectible funds are in and outstanding bills paid.

Respectfully,
JOHN E. CARTER.

37. The Report on Time, Place, and Preacher, was given by Rev. Geter Poarch, and reads as follows:

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Time: Thursday and Friday, October 14th and 15th, 1948.

Place: First Day—Bethany; Second Day—Mt. Zion.

Preacher: Doctrinal Sermon—H. A. Quick; Missionary Sermon—J. David Goodwin.

38. The Finance Committee Report was read and adopted as follows:

MINUTE FUND

Abee's Chapel	$ 5.00
Bethany	10.00
Carswell Memorial	4.00
Connelly Springs	10.00
Corinth	2.50
Icard	7.50
Mt. Vernon	4.00
Mulls' Chapel	5.00
St. John's	5.00
St. Paul	3.50
Smart's Grove	4.00
South Fork	5.00
Walker's Chapel	3.00
Wilkie's Grove	3.00
Zion Hill	6.00
Zoar	2.00
Total	$79.50

Finance Committee,
JASON STILWELL, MRS. D. C. UPTON, MRS. JONES ABERNATHY.

39. The Associational Treasurer's Report was read and adopted as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

October 1, 1947

To the South Mountain Baptist Association:

Received from Finance Committee	$102.30
Mull's Chapel Church	4.00
Oak Ridge Church	5.00
Connelly Springs Church	5.00
Balance In Treasury	2.32
Total	$116.62
Disbursements:	
Paid to Clerk Sam Proctor	$ 45.00
Balance	$ 71.62

P. M. DEAL, Treasurer.

40. Rev. John E. Carter was leaving our Association, the entire body stood and sung a hymn expressing their appreciation for the fine work of Rev. Carter in our Association.

41. There was a discussion concerning the work of the clerk, so the Association voted to raise the salary from twenty-five dollars ($25) to fifty dollars ($50). This does not include the regular ten dollars ($10) for mailing expenses.

42. The Committee on Memorials submitted the names of our departed loved ones and asked the Association to stand and envoke God's blessings on the bereaved families and thank Him for their devotion to His cause and the churches of which they were members.

43. The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Mrs. H. A. Quick and adopted as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

The Resolutions Committee wishes to submit the following report:

FIRST: We are sincerely thankful to our Heavenly Father for His guidance during the year, and for His permitting us to assemble together in Christian fellowship and brotherly love in this Association.

SECOND: We are thankful for our officials, for their untiring efforts in carrying forward the work of God's Kingdom in the SOUTH MOUNTAIN ASSOCIATION.

To our retiring moderator, Mr. Perry Abernathy, we want to express our appreciation for his faithful work and leadership during the six years of his work and labor as moderator.

To Rev. S. M. Stroupe, our newly elected moderator, we welcome him and pledge him our whole-hearted support and cooperation together with our faithful and fervent prayers for his future work and responsibilities.

To all the visitors during the Associational Meeting appearing on the program, we highly appreciate their words, their inspiration, and their presence.

To Miss Lysbeth Cox, our Associational Missionary, we welcome, and are thankful that she has felt the call to come our way.

THIRD: We are thankful for the efficient and thorough entertainment of the MULL'S CHAPEL Baptist Church and the MT. HEBRON Baptist Church, and for their good pastors. We wish to express our deep thanks to them for the good meals served each day.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. H. A. QUICK, MRS. DWIGHT MULL.

44. Rev. M. A. Huffman led in prayer and the 37th Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association came to a close.

J. PERRY ABERNATHY, Moderator,
MRS. J. D. GOODWIN, Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Church	Pastor	Address
Abee's Chapel	Jason Stillwell	Rt. 4, Hickory
Bethany	J. David Goodwin	P. O. Box 439, Hildebran
Beulah	J. E. Huffman	Rt. 3, Vale
Carswell Memorial	J. O. Summerlin	Morganton
Connelly Springs	L. A. Miller	Connelly Springs
Corinth	L. B. Harris	Mooresboro
Henry River	Grady Welch	Gastonia
Icard	John E. Carter	Icard
Mt. Gilead	B. B. Brooks	Rt. 1, Mooresboro
Mt. Hebron	S. M. Stroupe	Rt. 1, Connelly Springs
Mt. Vernon	H. A. Quick	Rt. 3, Vale
Mt. Zion	Johnny Smart	Connelly Springs
Mulls' Chapel	J. E. Huffman	Rt. 3, Vale
Oak Ridge	Geter Poarch	Connelly Springs
Olive Grove	Spencer McCloud	Cranberry
Pleasant Grove	D. E. Newton	Rt. 2, Lawndale
Pisgah	Geter Poarch	Connelly Springs
St. John's	Jason Stiwell	Rt. 4, Hickory
St. Paul	W. L. Blanton	Rt. 1, Belwood

Shoup's Grove—Johnny Smart.....Connelly Springs
Smart's Grove—Johnny Smart.....Connelly Springs
South Fork—Clifton Cooper.....Valdese
Walker's Chapel—W. L. Blanton.....Box 67, Cesar
Wilkie's Grove—Gordon Crump.....Rt. 7, Lenoir
Zion Hill—Seth Ivester.....Lawndale
Zoar—W. L. Blanton.....Rt. 1, Belwood

OTHER ORDAINED MINISTERS

Berry, Ralph.....Connelly Springs
Bragg, J. L.....Hildebran
Bryant, Wade N.....Hickory
Chronster, C. M.....
Cook, Ottis.....
Greenway, G. T.....Icard
Hildebran, Julius.....Rt. 4, Hickory
Hudson, Albert.....
McDaniel, T. C.....Connelly Springs
Mull, J. O.....Rt. 3, Vale
Parker, Harry.....Hildebran
Smart, Chissie.....Connelly Springs
Stamey, Sanford.....Candler
Towery, E. L.....Rt. 1, Cesar
Waldrop, J. J.....Rt. 2, Vale

Assistant Pastor

Huffman, M. A.....Icard

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Parker, Harry.....Hildebran
Smart, Chissie.....Connelly Springs

STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY

Greenway, G. T.—Icard.....Gardner-Webb
Fullbright, C. T.—Icard.....Wingate

Constitution

1. This Association shall be called THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

2. The grand object of this Association shall be the glory of God.

3. This Association shall exercise no legislative powers, but shall act in an advisory capacity only.

4. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches and recommended by letter from their respective church. Each church being entitled to three delegates and one additional delegate for each 25 members above 50.

5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, elected annually by ballot. Their duties shall be those performed by same officers in like organizations.

6. Newly constituted churches may be received into the Association upon satisfactory evidence of orthodoxy and churches from sister Associations upon letters of dismissal from the body to which they formerly belonged.

7. Each ordained minister of the Association and all pastors of churches in this Association shall be ex-officio members.

8. The committees of this Association shall be as follows: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Ministerial Relief, Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Baptist Young People's Union and Women's Work, together with such additional special committees as may be necessary.

9. This constitution may be amended at session of the Association by a two-thirds majority of the delegates present.

10. This Association shall meet annually on Thursday after the second Sunday in October.

11. That we limit the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO A MEMBERSHIP OF FIVE (5) which the Moderator and the Clerk of said Association shall be ex-officio chairman and clerk respectively; the members of the ocmmittee being elected annually from such churches as will have the committeemn as equally as possibl distributed throughout the associational territory.

Rules Of Order

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. All questions of procedure shall be decided by Kerfoot's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

2. In view of the fact that the officers of our Association come to the annual meeting with plans made for the session, be it resolved that we elect our officers at the close of the meeting to act till the close of the next annual meeting.

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ABEE'S CHAPEL—Deacon Odis Lowman.

BETHANY—Mrs. Alice Johnson, F. O. Childers, Miss Gay Nell Hildebran.

BUELAH—Mrs. J. C. Goodson.

CARSWELL MEMORIAL—Mrs. Christina York.

CONNELLY SPRINGS—Mrs. M. H. Mingus.

HENRY RIVER—Mrs. Mary Abee.

ICARD—Mrs. Laura Morgan, John Brindle, Mrs. John Brindle, B. H. Bibins.

MT. ZION—Mrs. Lila Sigman.

OAK RIDGE—Willie Knox, Edwin Beach.

OLIVE GROVE—Deacon Bruce Scism, Mrs. Duffie Wortman, Mrs. Catherine Buff.

PLEASANT GROVE—Mrs. Rhodia Wellman, Rohey Wilson.

PISGAH—Jules Pruett.

ST. JOHN'S—Mrs. Fronie Huffman.

ST. PAUL—Mrs. Amanda Queen, Mrs. Essie (Williams) Jones, Peter Buff.

WALKER'S CHAPEL—Phenia Huffman.

WILKIE'S GROVE—Mrs. Ella Hilderbran, Mrs. Bertha Ray Bills.

ZION HILL—R. P. Carter.

Table I. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location OC-V T-C	Year Organized	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	GAINS LOSSES TOTAL								SPECIAL INFORMATION					
				Dates of Meeting	Baptisms	By Letter	Other Additions	By Letter	By Death	Pres. Resident Membership	Non-resident Membership	Grand Total Pres. M'ship	Are Wkly. Prayer Meetings Held?	No. of Revival Meetings Held	Spent on Building or Remodeling Last Year	Value of Pastor's Home	Total Value of All Church Property	Total Debt on Church Property
Abee's Chapel	OC	1886	Jason Stillwell, Hickory, Rt. 4	2-4	5	2		2	1			113	Yes	2	703.03		3,596.89	None
Bethany	V	1865	J. David Goodwin, Hildebran	All	7	12		1	3			306	Yes	1	2,000.00	4,500	35,000.00	2,600.00
Beulah	OC	1905	J. E. Huffman, Vale,Rt. 3	1-3	5	2			1			90	No	2	76.40		3,000.00	None
Carswell Memorial	OC	1938	J. O. Summerlin, Morganton	1-3	3	7		1	1	48	10	58	No	1			3,678.33	None
Connelly Springs	V	1899	L. A. Miller, Connelly Springs	All	13	5		1	1	159	41	200						
Corinth	OC	1384	L. B. Harris, Mooresboro	1-3	3			1				107		1	8,000.00	5,000	8,000.00	None
Henry River	V	1940	Grady Welch, Gastonia	All	7			7	1					2	266.84		16,256.81	2,429.38
Icard	V	1918	John E. Carter, Icard	All	3	4	2	3	4	192	50	242	Yes	2		5,500	15,000.00	2,000.00
Mt. Gilead	OC	1888	B. B. Brooks, Mooresboro, Rt. 1	1-3	1	1				59	10	69	No	2			1,500.00	None
Mt. Hebron	OC		S. M. Stroupe, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	All	4	3	1	3		173		173	Yes	1	1,328.50	4,000	8,000.00	None
Mt. Vernon	OC	1824	H. A. Quick, Vale, Rt. 3	All	8	3		4		190	44	234	Yes	1	3,114.00	10,000	20,000.00	931.21
Mt. Zion	OC	1848	Johnny Smart, Connelly Springs	1-3	15	1	2	4	1	76	95	171						
Mulls Chapel	OC	1871	J. E. Huffman, Vale, Rt. 2	1234	13	9						104	No	2	240.50		9,100.00	
Oak Ridge	OC	1943	Geter Poarch, Connelly Springs	1234	6	4	1	1	2	89	5	94	Yes	1	4,846.75			
Olive Grove	OC	1884	Spencer McCloud	2-4	3			7	3	133	73	206	No	1			2,385.72	
Pleasant Grove	OC	1876	D. E. Newton, Lawndale, Rt. 2	2-4	5	2	1	2	2	107		107	No	2	578.80		4,000.00	
Pisgah	OC	1840	Geert Poarch, Connelly Springs	2-4	7	3		3	1	128	18	146	No	1			6,000.00	None
St. John's	OC	1842	Jason Stillwell, Hickory, Rt. 4	1-3	2			5	1			148		2			3,500.00	
St. Paul	OC	1870	W. L. Blanton, Belwood. Rt. 1	2-4	10	9	2	8	3			410	No	1			18,000.00	4,500.00
Shoup's Grove	OC	1890	Johnny Smart, Connelly Springs	2-4	2	4		2				96		2				
Smart's Grove	OC	1935	Johnny Smart, Connelly Springs	1-3	3					49		49	Yes	2			10,000.00	
South Fork	OC	1937	Clifton Gooper, Valdese	1234	2	2		2				92	Yes	1	888.00		4,101.23	
Walker's Chapel	OC	1915	W. L. Blanton, Casar	1-3	5	2		2	1	129		129	Yes	2	58.00		1,500.00	
Wilkie's Grove	OC	1892	Gordon Crump, Lenoir, Rt. 7	All				6	2			132	Yes	2	2,000.00	2,000	4,000.00	
Zion Hill	OC	882	Seth Ivester, Lawndale	2-4	7			6	1	152	80	232	No	1			2,500.00	None
Zoar	OC	1937	W. L. Blanton, Belwood, Rt. 1	1-3	3	5	2	6	1	42	9	51	Yes	2				
TOTALS					149	80	11	77	30			3759		37	$22,092.32	$31,000	200,118.98	$14,460.59

Table II. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Crad. Roll, H.M. (3 Yrs. & Und.)	Nursery—Att. Sun. (3 Yrs. & Und.)	Beginners 4-5	Primaries 6-8	Juniors 9-12	Intermediates 13-16	Young People 17-24	Adults 25 Years and Up	Extension Department	Gen. and Dept. Officers	Total En., Off. Teach. & Pupils	Average Attendance	Enrollment V. B. S.	What was the Av. Att.?
Abee's Chapel	Ulen Lowman, Valdese, Rt. 1	16		12	16	12	5	43	21			126	75		
Bethany	Reid Laney, Hildebran, Bx. 423			10	32	35	26	67	31		4	205	145	108	98
Beulah	Olin Benfield, Vale, Rt. 3											83	65	30	25
Carswell Memorial	J. E. Lindsay, Morganton, Rt. 4			8		8		12	12			40	24	36	33
Connelly Springs	H. D. Smith, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2		9	16	24	26	24	11	68	16	3	196	103	80	71
Corinth	A. G. McNeilly, Casar, Rt. 1												50		
Henry River	William Martin, Hildebran		12	15	25	25	30	5	50			162	140	98	69
Icard	Edd Swann, Icard	9		19	26	36	30	35	80			235	131	125	101
Mt. Gilead	Gene Parker, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			15	9	6			15		2	47	40	31	27
Mt. Hebron	S. L. Lagle, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1		14	16	15	22	22	8	55	1	3	156	73	50	38
Mt. Vernon	Edison Houser, Vale, Rt. 2			8	16	25	19	45	49	8	4	170	110	60	55
Mt. Zion	Bulen Short, Casar														
Mulls Chapel	R. D. Shuford, Vale, Rt. 4			15	16	13	13	23	19			99	78	60	52
Oak Ridge	Guy Smith, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2			16	8	24	18	24	46		2	136	85	54	43
Olive Grove	E. L. Towery, Casar			9	9	13	21	19	18			89	65		
Pleasant Grove	C. A. Martin, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			13		2	21	10	15	6	2	69	70		
Pisgah	N. W. Pruett, Casar			14	10	28	14	14	24			104	64		
St. John's	Frank Hoyle, Connelly Springs			13	8	7	12		28		2	70	46		
St. Paul	R. C. White, Belwood, Rt. 1											198	105		
Shoup's Grove	Leroy Childers, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2	11		19	12	14	13	12	11			92			
Smart's Grove	R. E. Moses, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			25	11	11		13	27		2	89	60		
South Fork	Raymond Beaver, Hickory, Rt. 4			12	7	23	18	15	27			102	75	41	38
Walker's Chapel	Wade Huffman, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2			9	15	19	7	31	30		3	110	65		
Wilkie's Grove	J. P. Brittain, Hickory, Rt. 4	5		20	15	25	15	8	33			132	95	53	53
Zion Hill	W. M. Hudson, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			9	8	23	35	32	50		4	161	98	64	61
Zoar	D. W. Chapman, Casar			18		6		13	19		2	56	45		
TOTALS		41	35	311	282	423	343	440	730	31	33	2932	1907	890	764

Table III. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Adult Unions	Young People's Unions	Intermediate Unions	Junior Unions	Story Hours	Total Unions & Story Hours	Adults Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Story Hours Enrolled	Tot. No. Gen. & Dept. Officers	Total Enrollment	Av. Attend. Per Sunday	Was Youth Wk. Observed?	Was Christian Hm. Wk. Obser.
Abee's Chapel																	
Bethany	Mrs. Eugene Johnson, Hickory, Rt. 4	1	2	1	2		6	25	12	19	14			70	47	No	No
Beulah																	
Carswell Memorial																	
Connelly Springs																	
Corinth																	
Henry River														88		No	No
Icard	Miss Christine Cannon, Icard	1	1	1	1	1	5	12	10	22	15	12		71	40	No	No
Mt. Gilead																	
Mt. Hebron	Richard Bradshaw, Connelly Springs	1		1	1	1	4	11		10	12	10		43	28	No	No
Mt. Vernon	Zack Laetherman, Vale, Rt. 2	1	1	1	1	1	5	20	7	13	14	10	1	64	40	No	No
Mt. Zion																	
Mulls Chapel																	
Oak Ridge	J. D. McNeely, Connelly Springs	1	1	1	1	1	5	11	17	11	17	7	2	65	39	No	No
Olive Grove																	
Pleasant Grove																	
Pisgah																	
St. John's																	
St. Paul	Delbert Walker, Lawndale	1	1	1	1		4	13	14	25	15			67	50	No	No
Shoup's Grove																	
Smart's Grove																	
South Fork																	
Walker's Chapel																	
Wilkie's Grove																	
Zion Hill	Pearlie Wright, Lawndale, Rt. 3	1	1	1	1		4	21	24	15	24		2	86	61	No	No
Zoar																	
TOTALS		7	7	7	8	4	33	113	84	115	111	39	5	554	305		

Table IV. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	No. of W. M. S.'s	No. of Y. W. A.'s	No. of G. A.'s	No. of R. A.'s	No. of Sunbeams	Total W.M.U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeam Members	Total Mem. Enrolled	Total Enr. in Miss. Study Cs.	Cont. (Local Wk.) Given by W.M.U.	Cont. (Miss.) Given by W.M.U.
Abee's Chapel																
Bethany	Mrs. Eugene Johnson, Hildebran	2	1	1	1		5	24	6	11	10		51	7	78.00	34.00
Beulah																
Carswell Memorial				1	1		2			6	8		14			8.48
Connelly Springs	Mrs. C. E. Hudson, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	1				1	2	8				8	16		3.25	
Corinth																
Henry River																
Icard	Mrs. Wade Abee, Icard	1	1	2	1	1	6	10	12	25	8	10	65			
Mt. Gilead																
Mt. Hebron																
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. D. M. Talent, Vale, Rt. 2	1	1			1	3	12	6			16	34	12	20.29	37.45
Mt. Zion																
Mulls Chapel																
Oak Ridge	Mrs. J. D. McNeely, Connelly Spgs., Rt. 2	1		1	1		3	16		15	10		41		2.74	6.41
Olive Grove																
Pleasant Grove																
Pisgah																
St. John's																
St. Paul																
Shoup's Grove																
Smart's Grove																
South Fork																
Walker's Chapel																
Wilkie's Grove																
Zion Hill																
Zoar																
TOTALS		6	3	5	4	3	21	70	24	57	36	34	221	19	$104.28	$ 86.35

Table V. BROTHERHOOD WORK

CHURCHES	DIRECTORS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	Brotherhood			SPECIAL INFORMATION					
		Does Church Have a Broth Organ.	Present Enrollment	No. Meetings Held Last Yr.?	Amt. Pledged to Co-operative Program or Unified Budget Coming Year	Amt. Pledged to Assoc. Miss. Coming Year	No. of Tithers in Church	Total All Bldg. & Reserve Funds on Hand at End of Year	Is State Paper In Budget?	Does Church Have Library?
Abee's Chapel		No					5	$ 1,896.89	No	No
Bethany	J. R. Huffman, Hildebran (Bro. Pres.)	Yes			$ 1,800.00	$ 208.00	45	None	No	Yes
Beulah		No							No	No
Carswell Memorial		No			45.00		3	269.42	No	Yes
Connelly Springs		No			250.00	85.00	45	348.59	No	Yes
Corinth		No						132.00	No	Yes
Henry River		No					5	175.00	No	No
Icard	Dwight Mull, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2	Yes	10	6			20	169.87	No	Yes
Mt. Gilead		No						5.00	No	Yes
Mt. Hebron		No				50.00	24	114.50	No	Yes
Mt. Vernon	John F. Leatherman, Vale, Rt. 2				130.00		12		No	No
Mt. Zion		No					4	650.00	No	Yes
Mulls Chapel		No					11	515.75	No	No
Oak Ridge		No			108.00	165.00	54	2,487.69	No	No
Olive Grove	C. M. Cook, Casar (Ch. Bo. Deacons)	No						105.44	No	No
Pleasant Grove		No						607.11	No	No
Pisgah		No								
St. John's		No					3	166.24	No	No
St. Paul		No								
Shoup's Grove	J. A. Berry, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2	No						413.00	No	No
Smart's Grove							1			
South Fork							26	1,378.58	No	No
Walker's Chapel	S. M. Huffman	No						424.20	No	No
Wilkie's Grove								1,735.00		No
Zion Hill	W. M. Hudson, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	No			78.00			8,475.71	No	No
Zoar									No	No
TOTALS			10	6	$ 2,411.00	$ 508.00	258	$12,013.49		

Table VI. GIFTS FOR LOCAL WORK OF CHURCH

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Pastor's Salary Paid for Year	Incidentals—Janitor, Fuel, Water, Repairs, Insur., etc.	Assistant Pastor, Educat. Director, Choir Leader, etc.	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Paid on Church Debt Out of Current Funds	Literature—Quarterlies, Church Paper, Song Books, etc.	Help for Local Poor	Minutes and Clerk of Association	Building Fund (Amt. given Associational year)	Local Missions	Other Objects	Total Given For Local Church Work
Abee's Chapel	P. M. Deal, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	920.00	658.95	77.00	115.83	200.00	102.37		5.00			21.93	2,101.08
Bethany	Jones Abernathy, Hickory, Rt. 4	2,545.00	3,050.47	480.00	183.00	745.00	246.05	78.66	10.00		25.00	295.33	7,633.51
Beulah	Miss Mavin Mull, Hickory	503.39	160.60	86.00			32.25	46.55					731.79
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. C. R. Poteet, Morganton, Rt. 4	454.50	42.10		50.00		30.94			269.42		21.04	868.00
Connelly Springs	Mrs. Daisy Lester, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 2	1,471.00	996.06		175.00	2,305.00	166.18	71.90	10.00			150.12	5,345.26
Corinth	C. S. Botts, Casar, Rt. 1	295.66			100.19		77.00	20.00	2.50	7,500.00			7,995.35
Henry River	Raymond Burns, Hildebran	1,890.00	146.72		161.66		74.09	232.17				496.58	3,001.22
Icard	Miss Julia Carswell, Icard	2,080.00	1,069.07	364.00	145.00		246.74	106.15	7.50	1,502.00	25.00	26.62	5,572.08
Mt. Gilead	Bill Parker, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	200.00	12.00		35.00		20.00						267.00
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. S. L. Lagle, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1	815.00	57.64		50.00	1,328.50	93.65		5.00			346.20	2,695.99
Mt. Vernon	J. L. Houser, Vale, Rt. 2	1,455.00	243.85		165.82	500.00	244.85		4.00	3,114.00		118.31	5,845.83
Mt. Zion	C. B. Lindsay, Casar, Rt. 1	332.00	12.00	101.77	75.33		40.00	130.00				15.00	796.90
Mulls Chapel	Carrell Rhoney, Vale, Rt. 4	1,087.67	130.00		181.95		52.20		5.00				1,446.82
Oak Ridge	Mrs. Guy Smith, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 2	1,120.33	71.15		85.00		88.58		5.00	4,846.75		269.21	6,485.93
Olive Grove	C. L. Crotts, Belwood	429.86	93.38	41.94	81.50		48.66	144.20					839.54
Pleasant Grove	Roy Denton, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	360.00	65.50	65.00	115.00	578.80	35.00		4.00	594.60			1,817.90
Pisgah	Mrs. Robert Bean, Casar, Rt. 2	620.00	200.73	150.00	90.00		143.23	7.00	3.00			928.69	2,142.65
St. John's	Mrs. Stanley Brittain, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1	390.09	153.20		97.61		39.55		5.00	66.30		204.96	956.71
St. Paul	Carl Smith, Lawndale, Rt. 3	463.00	117.80		100.00	657.60	136.65			17,646.40		266.47	19,387.92
Shoup's Grove	C. W. Crotts, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	498.88	49.19		76.32		86.56	41.94					869.22
Smart's Grove	Mary Moses, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	315.00	115.10	141.39	164.03		29.87	28.45			39.00	19.15	851.99
South Fork	Mrs. D. D. Propst, Hickory, Rt. 4	1,095.60	147.27		107.87		41.24	68.36				71.00	1,531.54
Walker's Chapel	Miles Carswell, Morganton, Rt. 4	513.85	45.00	18.15	45.14		35.00	35.00		15.37			707.51
Wilkie's Grove	Mrs. Edna Hermon, Hickory, Rt. 4	983.92	28.49		318.04		85.82			279.79		3.24	1,951.30
Zion Hill	Rosco Smith, Lawndale, Rt. 3	511.75	44.89		182.64		137.69		6.00			72.07	955.04
Zoar	Mrs. E. A. Pruett, Casar	300.00	476.00	15.00	145.00		94.78	10.00				10.00	1,052.28
TOTALS		$21,651.04	$8,187.16	$1,540.25	$3,046.93	$6,314.90	$2,531.95	$1,020.38	$72.00	$35,854.63	$89.00	$ 3,335.92	$83,950.41

Table VII. GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, Etc.

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Gifts to Co-operative Program or Unified Budget	Designated to Associational Missions	Designated to State Missions	Designated to Home Missions	Designated to Foreign Missions	Orphanages (Cash & Con. Estimated Value of Merch., Clothing, etc.)	Designated to Hospitals	Designated to Red Cross and Foreign Relief	Relief & Annuity, Other Objects	Total for All Missions	Grand Total of All Contributions For All Purposes
Abee's Chapel	Lamas Lowman, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			41.71	20.00	31.13	44.75	67.15	18.50		223.24	2,324.32
Bethany	Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Hildebran		25.00	59.10	160.00	569.00	214.00	209.00		284.10	1,520.20	9,153.71
Beulah	W. A. Rhoney, Vale, Rt. 3						20.00	11.00			31.00	762.79
Carswell Memorial	Celia Carswell, Morganton, Rt. 4	58.43					84.20	7.52			150.20	1,018.20
Connelly Springs	Mrs. H. D. Smith, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2	42.55	30.00	57.45	25.00	64.71	120.31	50.00	13.00		433.02	5,778.28
Corinth	H. E. McNeilly, Casar											7,995.35
Henry River	Mrs. Zennie Jones, Hildebran					50.00	117.08	8.45			175.53	3,176.75
Icard	S. A. Carswell, Icard	775.15	100.00	50.00	13.00	80.83	271.20	70.15			1,360.33	6,932.41
Mt. Gilead	Gene Parker, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1		5.00								5.00	272.00
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. Mae Abernathy, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1	50.00	50.00	24.29	8.50	18.24	82.34	26.43		70.00	329.80	3,029.79
Mt. Vernon	Miss Lucille Upton, Vale, Rt. 2	15.19	18.00	65.13	24.19	7.43	44.50	30.75			195.34	6,041.17
Mt. Zion	J. R. Price, Casar, Rt. 1	42.32			8.00		100.00	8.00	15.00		173.32	970.22
Mulls Chapel	A. C. Peeler, Hickory, Rt. 4			18.00			71.63	23.50			113.13	1,569.95
Oak Ridge	M. A. Lockee, Hildebran	96.00	165.00	51.71	40.50	22.50	146.00	60.00		15.00	596.71	7,082.69
Olive Grove	C. E. Crotts, Belwood						27.68	5.15			32.83	872.37
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Herman Hawkins, Morganton							21.00			21.00	1,838.90
Pisgah	Lee Bumgardner, Casar	40.00					145.20	44.75			229.95	2,372.60
St. John's	Hughes Huffman, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1			6.90			18.19	12.50			37.59	99.430
St. Paul	M. J. Cook, Belwood, Rt. 1			21.38			100.00	19.61			140.99	19,528.91
Shoup's Grove	Garland Seagle, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 2					20.65					20.65	889.87
Smart's Grove	Flora Lail, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1							5.00			5.00	856.99
South Fork	Mrs. J. J. Hudson, Hickory, Rt. 4			65.20	50.00	120.25	79.60	35.50			350.55	1,531.54
Walker's Chapel	Filo Huffman, Morganton, Rt. 4					15.00	20.00	10.00			45.00	752.51
Wilkie's Grove	Ranson Hudson, Hickory, Rt. 4			17.65			7.50	31.63			56.78	1,756.08
Zion Hill	T. E. Mull, Lawndale, Rt. 3	77.01		25.10	100.00	30.65	24.00	40.67			297.43	1,252.47
Zoar	E. A. Pruett, Casar			10.00	6.00	6.00	10.00	10.00			42.00	1,094.28
TOTALS		1,196.70	$393.00	$513.62	$455.19	$1,036.39	$1,748.18	$797.76	$ 46.50	$369.10	$6,530.59	$89,848.45

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DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

Officers

Rev. S. M. Stroupe, Moderator.....Rt. 1, Connelly Springs
Rev. H. A. Quick, Vice-Moderator.....Rt. 3, Vale
Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Clerk.....Hildebran
P. M. Deal, Treasurer.....Rt. 1, Connelly Springs

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

S. M. Stroupe, Chairman
Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Clerk
D. D. Propst
W. M. Hudson
John Lindsay
Kermit Pendleton
R. C. White

Sunday School Superintendent.....Guy Smith
Training Union Director.....Miss Lucille Upton
Associational Missions Treasurer.....J. Perry Abernathy
W. M. U. Superintendent.....Mrs. Ed Swann

PROGRAM COMMITTEE

Rev. A. V. Ledford, Chairman.....Icard
H. A. Quick
J. David Goodwin

Constitution

1. This Association shall be called THE SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

2. The grand object of this Association shall be the glory of God.

3. This Association shall exercise no legislative powers, but shall act in an advisory capacity only.

4. This Association shall be composed of delegates chosen by the churches and recommended by letter from their respective church. Each church being entitled to three delegates and one additional delegate for each 25 members above 50.

5. The officers of this Association shall be a Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer, elected annually by ballot. Their duties shall be those performed by same officers in like organizations.

6. Newly constituted churches may be received into the Association upon satisfactory evidence of orthodoxy and churches from sister Associations upon letters of dismissal from the body to which they formerly belonged.

7. Each ordained minister of the Association and all pastors of churches in this Association shall be ex-officio members.

8. The committees of this Association shall be as follows: State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Education, Ministerial Relief, Orphanage, Biblical Recorder, Temperance, Baptist Young People's Union and Women's Work, together with such additional special committees as may be necessary.

9. This constitution may be amended at session of the Association by a two-thirds majority of the delegates present.

10. This Association shall meet annually on Thursday after the second Sunday in October.

11. That we limit the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO A MEMBERSHIP OF FIVE (5) which the Moderator and the Clerk of said Association shall be ex-officio chairman and clerk respectively; the members of the ocmmittee being elected annually from such churches as will have the committeemn as equally as possibl distributed throughout the associational territory.

Rules Of Order

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. All questions of procedure shall be decided by Kerfoot's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.

2. In view of the fact that the officers of our Association come to the annual meeting with plans made for the session, be it resolved that we elect our officers at the close of the meeting to act till the close of the next annual meeting.

CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEES TO REPORT IN 1949

Associational Missions	Associational Missionary
State Missions	Geter R. Poarch
Home Missions	Thomas Watson Young
Foreign Missions	J. E. Huffman
Relief and Annuity	R. L. Ball
Sunday School	Guy Smith
Vacation Bible School	J. R. Huffman
Training Union	Miss Lucille Upton
Woman's Missionary Union	Mrs. Ed Swann
Stewardship	Grady Welch
Temperance and Public Morals	W. L. Blanton
Hospitals	Seth Ivester
Christian Education	Oscar C. Tucker
Baptist Literature	L. A. Miller
Orphanage	Johnny Spake
Baptist Brotherhood	Wilson Bowman
Co-operative Program	N. S. Hardin
Evangelism	B. B. Brooks

CHURCHES AND THEIR MESSENGERS

ABEE'S CHAPEL—P. M. Deal, Mrs. Willie Lowman, Mrs. Odis Lowman, Ralph Abee, Mrs. Martha Abee, Jacob Clark, Odis Lowman, Jr.

BETHANY—Boyd Owens, Albert Brittain, Mrs. J. B. Setzer, Mrs. Eugene Johnson, Mrs. Homer Evans, Wilson Bowman, Reid Laney, Perry Abernathy, J. R. Huffman, L. N. Sweet.

BEULAH—Olin Benfield, Z. A. Costner, A. J. Yancey, Mrs. A. J. Yancey, W. A. Rhoney, Mrs. W. A. Rhoney, Mrs. Olin Benfield.

CARSWELL MEMORIAL—J. E. Lindsay, Mrs. Ellen Poteet, Mrs. Viola Carswel,l Arthur Carswell, Paul Steele, Isaiah Carswell.

CONNELLY SPRINGS—Mrs. Harold Smith, Mrs. C. E. Hudson, Mrs. J. F. Cook, Walter Berry, Mrs. Walter Berry, O. H. Witherspoon.

CORINTH—Frank Newton, C. S. Botts, Cormie Wortman, J. L. Newton, Edley Canipe.

HENRY RIVER—Carrie Smart, Mrs. Zennie Smart, William Martin, Mrs. Bell Burns.

ICARD—Mrs. A. V. Ledford, Miss Lottie Carswell, Miss Mary Carswell, S. A. Carswell, Mrs. Roy Simpson, G. T. Greenway, Mrs. Fred Fullbright, Mrs. Howard Penland.

MT. GILEAD—Bill Parker, Roscoe Smith.

MT. HEBRON—S. L. Lagle, Mrs. J. M. Shell, Mrs. Richard Bradshaw, Mrs. Neno Taylor, Garland Young, Mary Lou Hildebran.

MT. VERNON—John F. Leatherman, McKinley Davis, J. A. Houser, Mrs. D. M. Tallant, Mrs. A. L. Gantt, Mrs. D. C. Upton, Mrs Carl Willis, Zack Leatherman.

MT. ZION—Sammie Proctor, Sammie Proctor, Horace Cook, R. S. Short, Colen Bridges, R. C. Fortenberry.

MULLS CHAPEL—R. D. Shuford, A. L. Rhoney, Mrs. A. C. Peeler, Mrs. Lester Hildebran, Mrs. Attley Rhoney, W. L. Rhoney.

OAK RIDGE—Mrs. Max Decker, Mrs. Geter R. Poarch, Mrs. Gilbert Chavis, Mrs. J. L. Smith.

OLIVE GROVE—Johnnie Walker, A. T. Spake, Grear Scism, Charlie Crotts, Cleveland Crotts, John Cook, Mrs. Flora Cook, Hosa Hull, John Tallent, Mrs. Gertie Spake.

PLEASANT GROVE—Ezra Miller, Mrs. Ezra Miller, Joe Walker, Mrs. Hester Walker.

PISGAH—Cleveland Buff, Julius Parker, Dock Hastings, Mrs. Dock Hastings, A. A. Parker, N. W. Pruett, Roy Bumgardner.

ST. JOHN'S—Jink Brittain, Mrs. Jink Brittain, Rosalia Reynolds, Sam Huffman, Alis Hudson, Martha Tallent, Doris Brittain, Mrs. Sam Huffman.

ST. PAUL—Marion Benfield, R. C. White, Bob Wiliis, C. H. Crotts, Amos Wortman, Carl Smith.

SHOUP'S GROVE—Mrs. Jessie Hildebran, Mrs. Monroe Townsend, Lillian Childers, J. A. Berry, Edna Seagle, J. T. Berry, Charlsie McGalliard, Mary Evans.

SMART'S GROVE—Will Freedell, Belle Freedell, Ada Abee.

SOUTH FORK—Frank Abernathy, Olen Childres, Mrs. Frank Abernathy, Mrs. Hazel Heavner, Mrs. D. D. Propst.

WALKER'S CHAPEL—Mackie Huffman, Lamar Keller, Miles Huffman, Ramon Keller, Frank Huffman, Gilbert Carswell.

WILKIE'S GROVE—W. A. Burns, Mrs. William Clark, Mrs. Alice Wilkie, Mrs. Edna Herman, Mrs. Ray Paige.

ZION HILL—T. E. Mull, W. M. Hudson, M. C. Buff, Mrs. Mary Ritchie, Marshall Buff, Mrs. Marshall Buff, D. F. Buff, A. L. Buff.

ZOAR—C. B. Crotts, E. A. Pruitt, L. J. Lail, M. G. Willis, Delbert Chapman, A. E. Pruitt.

PROCEEDINGS

38th Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH

October 14, 1948

1. The Association was called to order promptly at 9:30 a. m. by Moderator S. M. Stroupe. F. Wilson Bowman led the congregation in singing, "All Hail the Power", and G. T. Greenway led the devotional, reading from 2nd and 3rd chapters of 1st Corinthians using as his subject "Laborers together with God".

2. Pastor J. David Goodwin, of the host church, brought appropriate words of welcome for himself and for the Bethany Church. Response was given by S. A. Carswell.

3. The program was adopted at this time.

4. The following visitors were recognized at this time: D. P. Brooks, State Sunday School Representative; Rev. John Carter, Caldwell Association; Rev. Leroy Thomas, Buncombe Association; Mrs. M. A. Cheek, Birmingham Association, Bessemer, Alabama; Rev. C. R. Upton, Catawba River Association; Charlie Cook, Caldwell Association; E. L. McDaniel, Sandy Run Association; E. E. Sluder, Watauga Association, Shady Valley, Tenn.; Harvey Gibson, State Training Union Secretary; Rev. Frank Colburn, Caldwell Association; J. D. Fraley, Baptist Orphanage Representative. Mrs. A. V. Ledford, wife of the new pastor of Icard Baptist Church of this Association.

5. The following were recognized as new pastors of South Mountain Association, Rev. N. S. Hardin, Zion Hill; Watson Young, Pleasant Grove.

6. The Moderator appointed a Committee on Committees.

7. The report on Sunday Schools was read by Guy Smith. This report was spoken to in an able address by D. P. Brooks, representative of State Sunday School Board, then adopted as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

1947-48

During this Assn'l. year 10 regular meetings were held. There was an improvement in attendance from 59 last year to 86 this year. But only 15 churches again attended.

In January a business meeting was held to organize the group captains for their program. These teams later visited practically all churches. They reported good attendance and interest in the work.

A few of our people attended the conferences at Ridgecrest and received help and inspiration.

Group Captains have already been selected for the coming year.

Those who attended the Assn'l meetings went away feeling that they had been blessed and were eager to help in carrying out Christ's "Great Commission".

But we regret to report that only half our pastors, and less than half our superintendents participated in these meetings.

May we pray together that more workers will enter into His service.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Wm. Hudson
Assn'l Sec.

8. At this time the congregation was led by F. Wilson Bowman, in singing, "Amazing Grace", after which Rev. C. R. Upton led in prayer.

9. The report on Vacation Bible Schools was read by Reid Laney and adopted as follows:

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

At the beginning of the past summer, our associational leaders had confidence that last year's record number of fourteen (14) Bible Schools would be surpassed, under the able leadership of Miss Lysbeth Cox, our associational missionary.

The work began in a great way with Bible Schools beginning at Henry River and Bethany on May 29th and 31st respectively. Henry River had an enrollment of eighty (80) with an average attendance of seventy (70) while Bethany enrolled one hundred twenty (120) with an average attendance of one hundred three (103). The combined mission offering from both schools was $19.61. After operating eight days these Bible Schools were closed upon recommendation by the health authorities, as a result of the Polio epidemic. No additional schools were held in the Association after children were prohibited from attending public meetings. The association also suffered a great loss when Miss Cox left our field to continue her training.

We are hoping and praying that each of our Churches will be able to conduct a successful Bible School next summer in order to advance the Kingdom's work in the local church and community.

Respectfully submitted,
Reid H. Laney

10. The report on Baptist Training Union was read by Mrs. H. A. Quick. This report was spoken to by Harvey Gibson, State Training Union Secretary, and adopted as follows:

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

We are happy to be able to present a Training Union report to be included in the minutes of the South Mountain Association for 1948. Those of you who attended the associational meeting last year remember that no definite report was made, but Training Union work was discussed by Rev. John Carter.

During the year one associational wide meeting was held at Connelly Springs with 81 present representing 7 churches. Other meetings were planned, but for various reasons had to be cancelled. All officers were elected and a group study was conducted for their benefit. Our association was also represented in the Training Union Clinic held at the First Baptist Church in Morganton.

Compared with Sunday School and Mission work, organized Training Union work is comparatively new in the South Mountain Association. To help us realize the value of Training Union work we should remember II Timothy 2:15: "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." Truly Training Union is the Training agency of our Baptist churches in order that we may become better church members. May we pause and ask ourselves this question: If all church members were just like me, what kind of a church would my church be?

Despite difficulties, those churches having Training Unions have been able to continue, and they have made progress. Several new unions have been or-

ganized. Some churches not having Training Unions have caught the spirit and become organized. We congratulate you on your forward steps and encourage you to continue your efforts because, now as never before, we must have something to challenge world conditions in such times as these. God has given us a great country, multiplied blessings, multitudes of people hungry for the "Bread of Life" which Training Union can help supply. May we not be blinded to our opportunities, but rather, look unto the fields which are white already unto harvest.

May we lay hold with increased effort, greater determination, and renewed faith, the task which God has given us, that in every church in the South Mountain Association, a Training Union may become a reality rather than a cherished vision and that we may strive together in all things to put "Christ Above All."

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille Upton

11. The report on Women's Missionary Union was read by Mrs. Ed Swann, spoken to by her, and adopted as follows:

WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

The Woman's Missionary Union of the South Mountain Association has been going forward even though our Young People's work was inactive during the summer months because of the Polio Ban. However, we are very thankful, and indeed happy, to report all of our Young People's Organization's are again functioning and they seem very anxious to work.

Most of our women and some of the Young People have been quite active in Community Missions. Going into homes in ministering to the sick, giving relief to the needy, visiting the unsaved, distributing religious literature, and promoting family worship.

Our Gifts are steadily increasing and we are especially pleased with our recent contribution to State Missions.

Now, we are looking over our association, realizing that this field of service is ripe unto harvest. An active W. M. U. organization is a great asset to any church in reaching out into the community in missions, as well as around the world.

To the Pastors of the churches where there is no W. M. U. organizations, won't you please consider this phase of the Lord's work and the women an opportunity to life Christ in your Church and Community?

The greatest need in our world today is Love—"Love for One Another"—and when we Love, we are Lifting Christ, and in Lifting Christ, we are LIVING, (not existing).

LOVE, LIFT, and LIVE, to me, are the key words to Missions, and these are in action in a W. M. U. organization, including a real missionary Baptist Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ed Swann, Supt.

12. At this time we were favored with a special song by Miss Martha Stroupe.

13. We were led in prayer by the Moderator, and the ushers received an offering.

14. The time having arrived for the Introductory Sermon, the Congregation stood and a hymn was sung, after which the Presiding Officer presented Vice-Moderator H. A. Quick, who brought a soul-stirring message, and dismissed in prayer.

15. Report on Committee on Committees:

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

Finance Committee— Rev. L. A. Miller, J. E. Lindsey, Rev. A. V. Ledford.
Place and Preacher—J. Attison Berry, Sammy Proctor, J. E. Lindsey.
Nominating Committee—Mrs. Ed Swann, J. M. Huffman, Rev. J. E. Huffman.
Program Committee—Rev. A. V. Ledford, Rev. J. David Goodwin, Rev. H. A. Quick.
Resolution Committee—Mrs. A. V. Ledford, Mrs. Russell Hoyle, Mrs. H. A. Quick.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Committees,
R. C. White, J. F. Leatherman, S. A. Carswell

16. Adjourn for lunch.

FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

17. The Association was called to order at 1:3- p. m., by Moderator S. M. Stroupe. F. Wilson Bowman led the song service and Rev. B. B. Brooks led the devotional.

18. The Clerk callde the roll of the Churches and all churches were represented.

19. The Report of the Nominating Committee was made at this time and is as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your nominating committee wishes to present the following names as your officers for 1949:
Moderator—Rev. S. M. Stroupe
Vice-Moderator—Rev. H. A. Quick
Treasurer—P. M. Deal
Clerk—Mrs. J. D. Goodwin
Treasurer of Misisons—J. Perry Abernathy
Sunday School Superintendent—Guy Smith
Training Union Director—Miss Lucille Upton

Respectfully submitted,
Nominating Committee,
MRS. ED SWANN, J. M. HUFFMAN, J. E. HUFFMAN

20. Guy Smith gave out State Mission Literature and D. P. Brooks spoke about our State Mission Poster.

21. At this time Rev. L. A. Miller made a motion that an offering be taken to finish paying for the 1947 minutes. This offering amounted to $40.00.

22. The Association voted to raise the salary of clerk, from $50.00 to $100.00.

23. The report on Baptist Hospital was read by H. R. Huffman, and spoken to in an able address by Chaplain O. W. Rhodenhiser, Hospital Representative, adopted as follows:

REPORT ON THE BAPTIST HOSPITAL

Our North Carolina Baptist Hospital at Winston-Salem ministers to the sick from all parts of the state. It is our Good Samaritan to those who suffer and are unable to pay large hospital expenses. 26,000 visits were made to the Out-Patient department for examination, diagnosis and treatment last year. This

is one of the most important services of our hospital, and it is hoped that this department can be greatly enlarged in the near future.

As the services of our Hospital have grown, the Mother's Day offerings from our churches have likewise grown. These offerings are used for those who are unable to pay for their hospital expenses. This offering should be greatly increased in order that the Hospital may care for those who have no other way of receiving hospital treatment. Contributions from individuals and any other sources, are added to this fund when available. The more money for this purpose, the more people can be helped.

Our Baptist Hospital and Bowman Gray School of Medicine of Wake Forest College provides training for young women and young men who are called to fields of nursing and medicine. A number of those in training are preparing for medical mission work. We urge fine young men and women from our Baptist Churches who are interested in this field to consider going there for their training.

Our Baptist Hospital maintains a Department of Religion. This provides chaplain service for the patients and especially for those who have particular spiritual needs. It provides a religious program among the students seeking to help them in their Christian faith and spiritual growth. It also offers courses in pastoral counselling for pastors and ministerial students which will enable them to be more helpful to their Churches and communities.

In closing this report, we urge all of our churches to make a very generous offering to our Hospital on Mother's Day, for only through this offering is our Hospital able to minister to many who knock at the Hospital door for treatment. Your offering may save a life.

Your Committee,
JAMES R. HUFFMAN.

24. Special music was rendered by a quartet at this time.

25. The report on Temperance and Public Morals was read by Rev. L. A. Miller, spoken to by him and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

There are many deficiencies that could be mentioned concerning this all important subject, economically, politically, socially and religiously.

However, because of limited space, we shall confine this report to, what we think, is the basic for the terrible landslide in public morals, which we have witnessed since the repeal of the eighteenth amendment. That is:

The Legalized Liquor Traffic.

Note these staggering and alarming figures:

(a) Per capita consumption of beverage liquors increased from 10.25 in 1934 to 20.53 gallons in 1945.

(b) Drunkenness increased from 1,019 per 100,000 in 1932 (the last prohibition year) to 2,000 per 100,000 in 1945.

(c) Convictions within the courts increased from 55,000 annually during dry years to 81,000 for the last pre-war year.

(d) Saloons have increased until there are 407,000 in the United States, with package stores, outnumbering churches and schools.

(e) Liquor monopolies and consolidations have been allowed to gain such strength as to dictate government policies, and liquor advertising has become a major industry, subsidizing much of the public press, the radio and the screen.

(f) There are today more barmaids than college girls, and traceable directly to intoxicants are 60 suicides every twenty-four hours, a murder every forty minutes, and a major crime every forty-two seconds.

These facts should arouse us to think sensibly, vote intelligently live righteously, and work untiringly, that we may be able to wield an influence that will bring about the most needed revolution in temperance and public morals.

The answer is total abstainence and loyal support on the part of all Chris-

tians and citizens to abolish completely the making and selling of legalized or unlegalized liquors.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. MILLER.

26. The congregation was led in singing a hymn at this time.

27. The report of the Baptist Orphanage was read by S. A. Carswell, and spoken to by J. D. Fraley, Orphanage Representative.

REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST ORPHANAGE

We are very happy to report the progress our Orphanage is making, both at Mill Home and Kennedy Home. Last year there were 15200 children given aid, both in the Home and Foster Homes, (where children are placed in Christian homes under the supervision of the Orphanage). They are building a new cottage at Kennedy Home which will take care of 25 more children, also a silo and granary. At both homes, frozen food plants are being constructed and more space for storing canned goods.

At 8:40 each morning, Dr. Wall calls the office staff into an "Upper Room" where the word of God is read and prayers are offered for all the workers, all the children, and all the Sunday Schools and Churches. We are indeed happy to report the success of our Mills Home Pastor, Rev. John Walton, in leading 42 of the children to the pool and burying them with Christ in Baptism.

We, the Churches of the South Mountain Association are proud of the Baptist Orphanage of North Carolina. We are glad to have an opportunity of helping support such a worthy cause.

Respectfully submitted,
S. A. Carswell

28. The Associational Treasurer's report was read and adopted as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

To the South Mountain Baptist Association:

On hand October 1, 1947	$ 71.62
Received from Finance Committee Oct. 17, 1947	157.11
Total	$228.73
Disbursements:	
J. R. Huffman for printing of Programs	$ 5.00
Clerk	60.00
Printing of Minutes	120.00
Sam Proctor (old clerk)	35.00
Total	$220.00
Balance in Treasury	$ 8.73

Respectfully submitted,
P. M. DEAL, Treasurer.

29. The Congregation stood and sang a hymn, after which the afternoon session came to a close with prayer.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION

30. The Second Day Morning Session was called to order at 9:30 a. m. by Moderator S. M. Stroupe. The opening song service was led by F. Wilson Bowman. Devotional by Rev. Grady Welch.

31. The minutes of the first day's meeting was read by the clerk and adopted as read.

32. The following visitors were recognized at this time: Dr. J. C.

Pipes, State Field Secretary; Rev. Johnny Haas, Montgomery Association.

33. In the absence of The Associational Missionary, her report was read by Rev. J. David Goodwin, the report of the Associational Missions Treasure was given at this time, both reports were adopted as follows:

34. The report on State Missions was read by Rev. Seth Ivester, and adopted as follows:

STATE MISSIONS

Our State headquarters report that $200,000 have come into our State Mission fund this year. This amount of money has entered the following channels to serve many spiritual needs of our state. (1) General missionaries (2) Association missionaries (3) aid to more than sixty missionary pastors (4) aid in purchasing lots for the building of church houses in needy places (5) teaching and training carried on by the Sunday School department and Training Union division (6) Ministry to sick in our State Institution (7) Ministry to other races, the Negro and the Indians (8) Promotion of school and conferences for Pastors (9) Aid in the work of the Allied Church League (10) Promote the North Carolina Hour (11) Summer Student work (12) The State Convention cooperates with our Home Mission Board in the work of City missions.

October is here and that means State mission month. I do not here go into details. I remind you that we have a tremendous State Mission program as we ought to have. Through State Mission we are now carrying on eighteen different activities.

I mention twelve of them and the others I cannot speak of now particular.

I wish I knew how to tell you how urgent is the need. Let me impress upon you that we cannot carry on the program we are now carrying on unless the State Mission Board gets about $300,000 yearly for State Missions.

Our General Missionaries are J. C. Pipes, E. L. Bradley and E. L. Spivey. They assist the General Secretary in the promotion of all the work of the convention.

From this brief report we catch a glimpse of the diversified program of State Mission which is serving in an ever increasing way. The spiritual needs of the people of North Carolina State Mission grow into Home Mission and finally into World Mission.

Respectfully submitted,
Seth Ivester

35. The report on Home Missions was read by Rev. J. David Goodwin, and adopted as follows:

HOME MISSIONS

The strategic point of approach to this world task is the homeland. Keep the homeland evangelized and mobilized for service and we have the hope and assurance of a world evangelization.

World conditions have left a displaced and upset homeland, Rome is going after the Negroes, Russia is championing the cause of little nations, in all, this makes the challenge great to Home Missions today to evangelize the homeland.

The man without a chance, underprivileged, cut off by language barriers, tenant farmers segregated by poverty, migrant workers, those in isolated sections, and those in congested city areas, Negroes, and others in our homeland, challenge the best there is in us. Home Missions must answer the challenge.

The spirit of the Home Mission Board is to "help where help is needed." Many of our strongest churches in the South were Mission stations operated by the help of the Home Mission Board will grow into large and potent churches. A little help now means a great future for some community.

The Home Mission Board has work among Spanish-speaking Americans (Mexicans), Indians, French, Italians, Chinese, and other language groups. There

are mission centers, city and rural missions, work among the deaf and among Negroes, Cuban missions, and work in Panama, Costa Rica, and the Canal Zone, in addition to miscellaneous special mission enterprises. The Home Mission Board sponsors work in about six hundred churches and missions and needs four hundred more. It has about eight hundred missionaries and workers and needs about four hundred more. It needs over two million dollars for mission properties and over a million dollars a year for operation.

Let us keep Home Missions vigorous as a good springboard for world evangelization.

Respectfully submitted,
J. DAVID GOODWIN.

36. The Report on Foreign Missions was read by Garland Young, and adopted as follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The challenging world situation today in Foreign Missions is material and Spiritual. There is an open door today for the Gospel into most of the nations. Southern Baptists must advance in our Foreign Missions Programme. The objects are: strengthening the one hundred and nineteen centers in twenty five countries, second to open additional centers in strategic areas, to support centers undertaken directly by native Baptist conventions, and increase our resources in personnel and finances until we have approximately seventeen hundred and fifty missionaries, with an operating budget of seven million dollars annually.

The need of missionaries in Japan is great. They have requested one hundred by nineteen hundred and fifty. In China Communist action has caused some shifting of missionaries into other areas. It is not possible to conduct mission work under Communist domination. This influence is blocking mission work in the Balkan States. There are still Missionaries on the fields in Spain and Italy, but war has darkened the mission work in Palestine and the near East. Southern Baptist missionaries have at present ceased activities in Palestine.

The contributions coming from the Cooperative Programme, and special and designated funds, and the Lottie Moon offering for the past year were encouraging.

Jesus said in Matt. 28:19-20, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, Baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost; teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world".

Respectfully submitted,
GARLAND YOUNG.

37. The congregation stood and was led in singing, "Throw Out the Life Line", after which, Rev. Geter Poarch led in prayer.

38. The Mission Reports were spoken to in an able address by Dr. J. C. Pipes, State Field Secretary. Rev. Johnny Smart led in prayer.

39. The Report on Stewardship was read by S. A. Carswell, and adopted as follows:

STEWARDSHIP

One of the outstanding words in our Christian life is, or should be STEWARDSHIP. Practically every denomination has been in an enlistment campaign for their members in the interest of Stewardship, which is the main principle of supporting their churches and other causes all over the world.

If every church Pastor would lead his church in a doctrine and practice of stewardship, the causes of the churches could be met around the world. Each stewardship church must have a real stewardship Pastor who practices and preaches the doctrine of stewardship, if it is to be all out for the cause of Christ.

If the Baptist have fallen short in our enlistment campaign of one million tithers for Christ, the ones who are short are the ones who have failed to receive that abundant gift which the Lord has for them.

We recommend that every Pastor and Church enter into this effort that they may receive the blessings which are in store for every tither; moreover we recommend that a course of stewardship be taught in every church of this association for the purpose of giving people more enlightment in spreading the Gospel of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
E. F. Swann

40. The Report on Evangelism was read by Rev. A. V. Ledford, spoken to by him, and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Evangelism is the missionary spirit in action. It is the forerunner of churches and the builder of churches. It is essential in all christian expansion, and must give its influence to all sound teaching in the church. Without the evangelistic spirit, it will be found impossible to maintain proper doctrinal standards.

Our Baptist State Convention for the last few years have shown great interest in evangelism. First, Rev. J. C. Canipe has been elected by the Convention as Secretary of Evangelism for the state of North Carolina. Second, The State Convention is promoting evangelism in the churches and in the association, as well as state wide. We also have three conferences on Evangelism. One at Seaside, one at Fruitland and then a state wide conference at the First Baptist Church, Winston Salem, March 14-16, 1949.

The report from our churches of the association last year shows that we had one hundred and forty-nine (149) baptisms. None of us can tell what we should have done this out-going year in soul winning; but to be sure, few of us did our best. But let us all consider this ensuing year is another twelve months that the Lord expects us to give much thought, prayer and work in trying to evangelize our local church community and the world.

Can the Lord depend on us???

Respectfully submitted,
A. V. Ledford

41. At this time we were favored with a special song by F. Wilson Bowman and Rev. L. A. Miller.

42. The time having arrived for the Annual Missionary Sermon, the Moderator presented Pastor J. David Goodwin, of the Bethany Church who brought a soul-stirring message on the subject: "Carrying Your Corner".

43. Adjourn for Lunch after words of welcome by pastor of Host Church, Rev. Johnny Smart.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION

44. The Association convened at 1:30 p. m. with Moderator S. M. Stroupe in the chair. L .A. Miller led the song service and Jason Stillwell led the devotional.

45. The following visitors were recognized at this time: Dr. C. Sylvestor Green, Chairman of Council on Christian Education; Dr.

Claude F. Gaddy, Secretary of Council on Christian Education; Mrs. Claude F. Gaddy.

46. At this time F. Wilson Bowman was elected as Superintendent of Baptist Brotherhood work of the Association.

47. The Report on Baptist Literature was read by Rev. J. E. Huffman, spoken to by him as follows:

BAPTIST LITERATURE

We are living in a time of Great Things, such as this world has never seen. Inventions and developments of so many things. It has been said by one that the Pen is mightier than the sword.

Our nation is flooded today with all kinds of literature, printed matters of all kinds, comics, papers and magazines. We hear much through radio and by the press. Much that is read, heard and seen is Demoralizing to the growth and development of Wholesome Christian Living.

Therefore the need of the World is Literature that is sound. The Bible is Literature, living literature and it's the book of books.

Our Baptist Sunday School board publishes literature that meets the need of every age group from the Cradle Roll up in our Sunday School. Baptists should use it.

What we read and the source from where it comes makes a difference.

There are Baptist Periodicals that meet the needs of our people. They are the Biblical Recorder, The Commission, Charity and Children, Home Missions and the Sunday School Builder and others.

The report on the Biblical Recorder this year is encouraging—present circulation around 44,000. The Recorder was published first in 1833. It is a good substantial Denominational Paper giving information of Baptists over North Carolina and elsewhere.

May we as Baptists continue in the things we have learned and are sure of knowing of whom we have learned them.

Respectively submitted,
J. E. HUFFMAN.

48. The Report on Christian Education was read by Rev. Geter R. Poarch, spoken to by him and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Our 64 Baptist Schools—Academies, and Seminaries—are completing one of the best years in many respects in their history. Only colleges for women retained their approximate normal enrollments during the war . . . Since the close of the war, enrollments have mounted rapidly and broken all previous records. This year there are 54,531 students in our Baptist Schools, of whom 16,275 are veterans . . . Meanwhile, our Baptist colleges and universities are seeking to raise their standards, and to do this it is necessary for presidents and deans to be furnished sufficient endowment to enable them to pay salaries in the neighborhood of if not equal with those paid by other standard Schools.

The achievements of Southern Baptist Schools have been a source of gratification for more than 100 years. From their portals have gone numberless thousands of preachers, teachers, missionaries, doctors, nurses, and home makers to the ends of the earth, to bless mankind. Our Baptist school in North Carolina are second to none in all the land.

Today multitudes of returned soldiers and others are crowding our campuses and taxing our resources to the limit. The need of raising large sums of money to meet the demands of this new day is pressing. The question of the wisest use of present property when and if Wake Forest College is moved to Winston-Salem is upon us yet. Added to this is the ever present danger lest the

nation-wide tides of modernism sweep over our Schools and rob them of their true message and ministry. Never was there greater need for prayer for our Baptist Schools. Only thus can they be kept within the will and plan of God.

The world needs more Christian education. The world needs more Christian religion. Why not do every-thing that we can, that our Schools have the necessary funds to operate on, and to do a greater service to mankind and to GOD? Someone has said "Religion without Education leads to Fanaticism, and Education without Religion leads to Paganism". So why not support our Baptist Schools with our money? Why not support them by sending our young people to them?

Let us as an association resolve to do more for the world by helping to educate and christianize the peoples of the world.

Respectfully submitted,
Geter R. Porch.

49. At this time Dr. Claude F. Gaddy was introduced by the Moderator who in turn introduced Dr. C. Sylvestor Green who brought an able address on Christian Education.

50. The Report on Time, Place, and Preacher, was given by Sam Proctor, and reads as follows:

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Time: Thursday and Friday, October 13th and 14th, 1949.

Place: First Day—Wilkie's Grove; Second Day—Olive Grove.

Preacher: Doctrinal Sermon—Johnny Smart; Missionary Sermon—Ottis Mull.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee, J. E. Lindsay, Attison Berry, Sam Proctor

51. An offering was received in the amount of $25.04.

52. The Committee on Memorials submitted the names of our departed loved ones and asked God's blessings on the bereaved families.

53. The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was read by Mrs. A. V. Ledford, and adopted as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

The Resolutions Committee wishes to submit the following report:

We are thankful to our Heavenly Father for His guidance during this year, and for His permitting us to assemble together in Christian fellowship and love in our Association.

We are thankful for our officers, pastors and leaders for their united efforts in carrying forward the great work of our Lord.

We welcome back our officers and pledge to them our loyal support and cooperation.

To all the visitors during the associational meeting appearing on the program, we highly appreciate their words, inspiration and their presence. To those that rendered special music making our meeting more inspirational, we thank you .

We highly appreciate the hospitality of Bethany Baptist Church and Mt. Zion Baptist Church for their thorough entertainment and good food that was prepared for us each day.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. A. V. Ledford, Mrs. Russell Hoyle, Mrs. H. A. Quick

The following committee was appointed by the Moderator:

54. The Associational Missions Finance Committee:

J. Perry Abernathy, Chairman
R. C. White
Rev. L. A. Miller

55. Rev. M. A. Huffman led in prayer and the 38th Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association came to a close.

S. M. STROUPE, Moderator,
MRS. J. D. GOODWIN, Clerk.

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Church	Pastor	Address
Corinth	L. B. Harris	Rt. 1, Mooresboro
Henry River	Grady Welch	Victoria Station, Gastonia
Icard	A. V. Ledford	Icard
Mt. Zion	Johnny Smart	Rt. 1, Connelly Springs
Mull's Chapel	J. E. Huffman	Rt. 2, Vale
Oak Ridge	Geter R. Poarch	Rt. 2, Connelly Springs
Pleasant Grove	Thomas W. Young	Ellenboro
Pisgah	Seth Ivester	Lawndale
St. Paul	J. E. Huffman	Rt. 2, Vale
Shoup's Grove	Oscar C. Tucker	313 Gees St., Lincolnton
Smart's Grove	Johnny Smart	Rt. 1, Connelly Springs
South Fork	R. L. Ball	Valdese
Walker's Chapel	W. L. Blanton	Casar
Wilkie's Grove	W. L. Blanton	Casar
Zion Hill	N. S. Hardin	Rt. 4, Shelby
Zoar	Johnie C. Spake	Rt. 1, Casar

OTHER ORDAINED MINISTERS

Berry, Ralph	Connelly Springs
Bragg, J. L.	Hildebran
Cook, Otis	Rt. 1, Casar
Greenway, G. T.	Icard
Hildebran, Julius	Rt. 4, Hickory
Hudson, Albert	Rt. 1, Casar
Mull, J. O.	Rt. 3, Vale
Smart, Chissie	Connelly Springs
Towery, E. L.	Rt. 1, Casar
Waldrop, J. J.	Vale
Williams, R. W.	Hildebran

STUDENTS FOR THE MINISTRY

Fulbright, C. T.	Gardner-Webb

MINISTERS ORDAINED THIS YEAR

Spake, Johnny	Casar

REPORT OF TREASURER OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS NOVEMBER 1, 1947 THROUGH JULY 15, 1948

Amount in Treasury November 1, 1947	$ 235.00
Received from State Superintendent of the Baptist State Convention	712.50
Received from churches in South Mountain Association	714.50
Total Collected	$1,662.00
Paid out in salaries to Mrs. Braswell for August 1947—Salary	150.00
To—Miss Elysbeth Cox as Associational Missionary from October 1947 through July 20, 1948—Salary and Expenses	$1,474.50
Total Paid Out	$1,624.50
Balance	37.50

Respectfully Submitted
J. Perry Abernethy
Treasurer of Missions

MISSION REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS

This is the report in brief of your associational missionary from October until July 20th, with the exception of December and January reports which have been misplaced:

Spoke in Churches 54 times
Held 109 individual conferences
Published bulletins occasionally
Printed and distributed a Calendar of Activities
Helped plan the associational S. S. programs
Held an associational V. B. S. Clinic
Attended annual associational meeting for two days
Attended the W. M. U. annual associational meeting
Assisted in a B. T. U. Enlargement campaign in Johnson Co.
Assisted in a S. S. Enlargement campaign in Chowan
Attended the Divisional W. M. U. meeting in Shelby
Helped take a religious census in association
Attended four days S. S. meeting in Ridgecrest
Helped with V. B. S. Clinics in Statesville, Lenoir, and Wilkesboro
Attended the state V. B. S. Clinic
Attended the Executive Plan meeting of W. M. U. in Raleigh
Held 8 Study courses
Visited in homes, wrote letters and cards
Attended the state convention and state W. M. U. conv.
Acted as principal in two Vacation Bible Schools

(Vacation Bibls Schools, an associational-wide Training Union emph. week and plans for other work was hindered because of the polio) . Tho' our time in South Mountain Association was brief we do thank God for the fine people there and the privilege of passing that way.

Respectfully submitted,
Lysbeth Cox

MINUTE FUND

Abee's Chapel	$ 10.00
Bethany	12.00
Beulah	2.00
Carswell Memorial	6.00
Corinth	5.00
Henry River	7.00
Icard	10.00
Mt. Gilead	2.00
Mt. Hebron	10.00
Mt. Vernon	5.00
Mt. Zion	5.00
Mulls Chapel	7.00
Oak Ridge	6.00
Olive Grove	5.75
Pleasant Grove	6.00
Pisgah	5.00
St. John's	4.00
St. Paul	10.60
Shoup's Grove	5.00
Smart's Grove	5.00
South Fork	3.00
Walker's Chapel	6.00
Wilkies' Grove	3.50
Zion Hill	6.00
Zoar	4.50
Connelly Springs	10.00
TOTAL	$161.35

Finance Committee,
Rev. L. A. Miller, J. E. Lindsey,
Rev. A. V. Ledford

OUR BELOVED DEAD

BETHANY—Deacon Carl Abernathy, Mrs. Bertha Thorn

BEULAH—Mr. Coy Craigg

CARSWELL MEMORIAL—Mr. Alfred Butler

CONNELLY SPRINGS—Mrs. John Bivens

CORINTH—Mr. Rayford McNeilly

ICARD—Mr. Port Berry

MT. HEBRON—Mr. Edgar Townsend

MT. VERNON—Mrs. John B. Leatherman

MT. ZION—Mrs. John Chapman

MULLS CHAPEL—Mr. J. C. Mull

OAK RIDGE—Mrs. Rob. Lowman

OLIVE GROVE—Mrs. Margaret Tallent, Mrs. Amplise Johnson

PLEASANT GROVE—Mrs. Rhodia Lindsay, Deacon John L. Denton

ST. JOHN'S—Mrs. Georgiana Deitz, Mrs. Emma Rector, Mrs. Vergie Smith

ST. PAUL—Mrs. Lela White, Mrs. W. A. Cooke, Mr. Philip Morrison, Mr. Horace Wright

WALKER'S CHAPEL—Rev. T. C. McDaniel

ZION HILL—Mr. Kelly Bivins

ZOAR—Mrs. E. A. Pruitt

Table A. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location OC-V T-C	Year Organized	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	GAINS Baptisms	GAINS Letter and Other Additions	LOSSES By Death	LOSSES Total Losses	Pres. Resident Membership	Non-resident Membership	Grand Total Pres. M'ship	No. of Revival Meetings Held	SPECIAL INFORMATION Number Tithers	State Paper In Budget	Church Library
Abee's Chapel	OC	1886	Jason Stillwell, Hickory, Rt. 4	4	2		3	114		114	2	4	No	No
Bethany	V	1885	J. David Goodwin, Hildebran	10	30	2	10			334	2	50	No	Yes
Beulah	OC	1905	J. E. Huffman, Vale,Rt. 3	1	1	1	4			88	1		No	No
Carswell Memorial	OC	1938	J. O. Summerlin, Morganton	3	1	1	6	48	8	56	1	3	No	Yes
Connelly Springs	V	1899	L. A. Miller, Connelly Springs	7	6	1	4	156	51	207	1	25	No	Yes
Corinth	OC	1884	L. B. Harris, Mooresboro	3	2	1	3	100	53	153	2			Yes
Henry River	V	1940	Grady Welch, Gastonia	13	18		4	73	79	152	2	15	No	No
Icard	V	1918	A. V. Ledford, Icard	8	12	1	14	221	27	248	2	48	No	Yes
Mt. Gilead	OC	1888	B. B. Brooks, Mooresboro, Rt. 1	8	3	2	4	82		82	2			Yes
Mt. Hebron	OC		S. M. Stroupe, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1		0	1	4	87	67	154	0	35	No	Yes
Mt. Vernon	OC	1824	H. A. Quick, Vale, Rt. 3	14	2	1	8	193	44	242	1	10	No	No
Mt. Zion	OC	1848	Johnny Smart, Connelly Springs	1	5	1		83	95	178	1	3	No	No
Mulls Chapel	OC	1871	J. E. Huffman, Vale, Rt. 2		3	1	1	100	6	106	2	12	No	No
Oak Ridge	OC	1943	Geter Poarch, Connelly Springs		19	1	9	89	12	101		42	No	No
Olive Grove	OC	1884	Spenger McCloud, Cranberry	2	2	2	5	132	73	205	1		No	No
Pleasant Grove	OC	1876	Thomas W. Young, Ellenboro	3	4	2	6	106		106	2	2	No	No
Pisgah	OC	1840	Seth Ivester, Lawndale		1			128	17	145	1		No	No
St. John's	OC	1842	Jason Stillwell, Hickory, Rt. 4	6	3	3	11	65		65	2	1	No	No
St. Paul	OC	1870	J. E. Huffman, Rt. 2, Vale	9	2	4	12	226	182	403	2		No	No
Shoup's Grove	OC	1890	Oscar C. Tucker, 313 Gees St.,Lincolnton	9	4		1			104	2	2	No	No
Smart's Grove	OC	1935	Johnny Smart, Connelly Springs	9	1		2			55	2		No	No
South Fork	OC	1937	R. L. Ball, Valdese	2	4		5			90	1	18	No	No
Walker's Chapel	OC	1915	W. L. Blanton, Casar			1	6			123	2		No	No
Wilkie's Grove	OC	1892	W. L. Blanton, Casar	4			1			135	2	2	No	No
Zion Hill	OC	1882	N. S. Hardin, Rt. 4, Shelby			1	9	143	80	223	1		No	No
Zoar	OC	1937	Johnie C. Sparks, Rt. 1, Casar			1	1			49	2		No	No
TOTALS				116	125	28	133	2284	794	3923	39	272		

Table B. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Crad. Roll, H.M.	Nursery—Att. Sun.	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted Classes and Depts.	Grand Total Sun. School Enrolment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrolment	Avg. Attendance
Abee's Chapel	Delkie Mourlea, Jr., Connelly Springs, R-1		15	11	12	10	6	45	25		11	135	75		
Bethany	Reid Laney, Hildebran, Bx. 423			16	22	35	23	24	68	6		194	132	120	103
Beulah	Olin Benfield, Vale, Rt. 3			7	10	4	13	23	26			83			
Carswell Memorial	J. E. Lindsay, Morganton, Rt. 4			10		12		10	12			44	25		
Connelly Springs	H. D. Smith, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2		16	15	26	27	30	13	81	22	2	232	98		
Corinth	A. G. McNeilly, Casar, Rt. 1			15	15	25	30		30			115	60		
Henry River	William Martin, Hildebran	4	19	12	20	25	38	30	33	6	3	190	86	80	70
Icard	Edward Justice, Icard			20	35	35	26	30	90		4	240	112	0	0
Mt. Gilead	Gene Parker, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			24	12	12			15		3	66	45		
Mt. Hebron	S. L. Lagle, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1		18	14	12	26	25	9	54	1	3	162	67	0	0
Mt. Vernon	Zack Leatherman, Rt. 2, Vale			16	12	21	23	35	39		4	150	90		
Mt. Zion	Bulen Short, Casar			20	12	12	15	25	25		8	117	63		
Mulls Chapel	R. D. Shuford, Rt. 2, Casar	7	7		13	14	10	13	18		2	81	60		
Oak Ridge	Guy Smith, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2			10	15	26	19	23	42		2	137	91		
Olive Grove	Johnny Walker, Casar			7	12	10	25	16	20		7	97	78		
Pleasant Grove	C. A. Martin, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	3	3	11	14			19	32		1	83	50	0	0
Pisgah	N. W. Pruett, Casar			14	14	14	28	14	24		9	117	65		
St. John's	Jink Brittain, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs			14	8	9	13	16	21		1	82			
St. Paul	Marion Benfield, Rt. 1, Belwood	12		15	15	25	47	41	58		4	217	102		
Shoup's Grove	Leroy Childers, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2	13		21	12	13	17	11	15		14	116			
Smart's Grove	John Abee, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs			21	6	10		17	26		7	87	65		
South Fork	Virgin Martin, Hickory, Rt. 3			10	9	18	21	14	25			97	67	0	0
Walker's Chapel	Wade Huffman, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2			15	17	18	8	32	30		2	122	50		
Wilkie's Grove	William Clark, Hickory, Rt. 4	8		20	10	20	20	8	35			120	90		
Zion Hill	W. M. Hudson, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			10	12	20	29	30	50		4	155	86		
Zoar	E. A. Pruitt, Casar				12	9		11	22			54	32		
TOTALS		47	78	348	357	450	466	509	916	35	91	3293	1689	200	173

Table C. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Story Hours	Junior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Young People's Unions	Adult Unions	Grand Total Unions	Story Hours Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Adults Enrolled	General Officers Enrolled	Total Enrollment	Avg. Attendance	Youth Week	Christian Home Week
Abee's Chapel																	
Bethany	Mrs. Eugene Johnson, Hickory, Rt. 4	1	2	2		2	7	6	18	21		21	4	70	41	No	No
Beulah																	
Carswell Memorial																	
Connelly Springs																	
Corinth																	
Henry River	Mrs. Carrie Smart, Hildebran		1	1	1	1	4		14	19	11	14	1	59	33	No	No
Icard	Mrs. Dale Wilson, Icard	1	1	1	1	1	5	7	19	22	12	19	4	79	40	No	No
Mt. Gilead																	
Mt. Hebron	Russell Hoyle, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	1	1	1		1	4	5	9	12		10	6	36	30	Yes	No
Mt. Vernon	Miss Lucille Upton, Vale, Rt. 2	1	1	1	1	1	5	10	14	11	12	20	2	69	43	No	No
Mt. Zion																	
Mulls Chapel																	
Oak Ridge	Miss Ruth Stephens, Rt. 2, Conelly Springs	1	1	1	1	1	5	7	16	10	14	12	2	61	36	Yes	No
Olive Grove																	
Pleasant Grove																	
Pisgah																	
St. John's																	
St. Paul			1	1	1	1	4		8	22	8	6		44	35	No	No
Shoup's Grove																	
Smart's Grove																	
South Fork	Olen Childers, Hildebran	1	1	1	1	1	5						5	49	35	No	No
Walker's Chapel																	
Wilkie's Grove																	
Zion Hill	Pearlie Wright, Lawndale, Rt. 3	1	1	1	1	1	5	10	11	12	21	18	2	74	48	No	No
Zoar																	
TOTALS		7	10	10	7	10	44	45	109	129	78	120	26	541	341		

Table D. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	No. of W. M. S.'s	No. of Y. W. A.'s	No. of G. A.'s	No. of R. A.'s	No. of Sunbeam	Total W.M.U. Organizations	W. M. S. Members	Y. W. A. Members	G. A. Members	R. A. Members	Sunbeams Members	Total Mem. Enrolled	Total Enr. in Miss. Study Cs.	Total Tithers All Org.
Abee's Chapel															
Bethany	Mrs. R. W. Cook, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs	2	1	1	1	1	6	20	8	12	8	10	58	15	20
Beulah															
Carswell Memorial															
Connelly Springs	Mrs. Harold Smith, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs	1		1			2	12		16			28		
Corinth															
Henry River	Mrs. Zennie Jones, Hildebran	1					1	10					10		
Icard	Mrs. Howard Penland, Icard	1	1	2	1	1	6	20	9	25	12	10	76	0	15
Mt. Gilead															
Mt. Hebron															
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. D. M. Tallant, Rt. 2, Vale	1				1	2	16				15	31		
Mt. Zion															
Mulls Chapel															
Oak Ridge	Mrs. J. D. McNeely, Connelly Spgs., Rt. 2	1					1	20					20		
Olive Grove															
Pleasant Grove															
Pisgah															
St. John's															
St. Paul															
Shoup's Grove															
Smart's Grove															
South Fork															
Walker's Chapel															
Wilkie's Grove															
Zion Hill															
Zoar															
TOTALS		7	2	4	2	3	18	98	17	53	20	35	223	15	35

Table E. BROTHERHOOD WORK — BUILDING

CHURCHES	DIRECTORS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	Brotherhood		BUILDING				
		Enrolment of Brotherhood	Meetings Held During Year	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastors' Home	Spent on Building and Remodeling	Building and Reserve Funds On Hand at End of Year	Total Church Debt at End of Year
Abee's Chapel					$ 6,045.00	$ 2,033.28	$ 1,084.33	
Bethany	F. Wilson Bowman, P.O.Box 741, Morganton	17	6	$ 5,000.00	35,500.00	322.79		$ 2,451.79
Beulah					3,000.00			
Carswell Memorial					4,000.00	42.50	1,516.29	
Connelly Springs				5,000.00	20,000.00		1,147.65	
Corinth								
Henry River					16,000.00	1,251.32	4.00	1,351.54
Icard	Ed F. Swann, Icard	20	12	7,000.00	18,000.00	2,025.75	337.61	3,000.00
Mt. Gilead								
Mt. Hebron				5,000.00	9,000.00	1,584.44	143.10	189.10
Mt. Vernon				10,000.00	20,000.00	628.87	66.30	
Mt. Zion								
Mulls Chapel					9,200.00	120.59	1,167.09	
Oak Ridge					15,000.00	4,271.97		3,512.89
Olive Grove					2,385.00		373.45	
Pleasant Grove					5,000.00	538.55	300.39	
Pisgah								
St. John's								
St. Paul					22,000.00			3,500.00
Shoup's Grove					1,500.00	124.00	902.79	
Smart's Grove					1,500.00			
South Fork								
Walker's Chapel					2,500.00	1,185.95		
Wilkie's Grove				2,000.00	5,735.00		2,052.00	
Zion Hill					2,500.00		11,008.85	
Zoar								
TOTALS		37	18	$34,000.00	$198,904.00	$14.130.01	$20,103.01	$14,005.32

Table F. GIFTS FOR LOCAL WORK OF CHURCH

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Pastor's Salary Paid for Year	Incidentals—Janitor, Fuel, Water, Repairs,	Assistant Pastor, Educat. Director, Choir Leader, etc.	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Paid on Church Debt Out of Current Funds	Literature—Quarterlies, Church Paper, Song Books, etc.	Local Benevolences	Building Fund (Amt. given Associational year)	Local Missions	Other Objects	Total Given For Local Church Work
Abee's Chapel	Ulen Lowman, Rt. 1, Valdese	500.00	155.75		166.15	1,937.40	64.07	115.94			67.05	3,006.36
Bethany	Jones Abernathy, Hickory, Rt. 4	3,640.00	1,171.65	1,418.60	355.00	576.00	386.13	310.09	412.00		271.97	8,129.44
Beulah	Mrs. W. A. Rhoney, Rt. 3, Vale	207.86	10.80		50.70		37.15				128.25	434.96
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Ellen Poteet, Rt. 4, Morganton	400.25	52.26	125.00	60.00		84.69				17.59	739.79
Connelly Springs	Mrs. Daisy Lester, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 2	2,325.00	1,040.55		115.00	817.71	302.28			79.14	10.00	4,689.68
Corinth	C. S. Botts, Casar, Rt. 1	444.17			67.00		62.16	12.50	480.25		71.70	1,138.78
Henry River		1,212.55	151.25		165.25		200.37	180.50			1,169.64	3,079.56
Icard	Miss Julia Carswell, Icard	2,430.00	716.00	182.00	196.00	2,025.75	240.53	114.20			858.43	6,762.91
Mt. Gilead	Gene Parker, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs	250.00	10.00		80.00		55.00		122.00			517.00
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. S. L. Lagle, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1	1,300.00	190.10				120.97	188.44			121.36	1,850.87
Mt. Vernon	J. Z. Houser, Rt. 2, Vale	2,060.00	358.61		277.85	100.91	160.57		628.87		69.64	3,676.45
Mt. Zion	C. B. Lindsay, Casar, Rt. 1	284.58	12.00		133.00		38.94	18.25			84.00	570.77
Mulls Chapel	A. C. Peeler, Rt. 4, Hickory	1,206.20	50.00		150.25		78.33			25.00	100.00	1,609.78
Oak Ridge	Mrs. Guy Smith, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 2	1,263.00	110.23			1,000.00	160.90	501.68		158.15	96.62	3,290.58
Olive Grove	C. M. Cook, Casar	494.08	77.94		63.25		57.75				66.69	759.70
Pleasant Grove	Lee Roy Denton, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	343.50	49.00		174.39		34.87					601.76
Pisgah	Mrs. Robert Bean, Casar, Rt. 2	1,186.40	228.58		100.00		73.99	25.00			226.20	1,840.17
St. John's	Mrs. Stanley Brittain, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1	378.69	355.43		174.63		65.65				65.00	1,039.40
St. Paul	Carl Smith, Lawndale, Rt. 3	486.76			91.00	201.37	141.87	125.72	1,400.00		42.50	2,489.22
Shoup's Grove	J. A. Berry, Box 132, Icard	523.34	91.00		151.67		56.61			85.00		907.62
Smart's Grove	Mary Moses, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	360.00	91.31	9.30	180.82		28.80		15.35			685.58
South Fork	Mrs. D. D. Propst, Hickory, Rt. 4	1,115.00	797.32		90.00		84.11	38.00		15.00	86.00	2,225.43
Walker's Chapel	Miles Carswell, Morganton, Rt. 4	555.73	60.00		79.80		45.00					740.53
Wilkie's Grove	Charlie Young, Rt. 4, Hickory	908.18	24.00		120.11		62.28		317.00	11.21	149.80	1,592.58
Zion Hill	Stuart Ramsey, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs	480.00	17.85		163.11		150.00	62.10			61.00	934.06
Zoar	C. E. Costener, Casar	300.00	60.00		71.67		17.43					449.10
TOTALS		$24,425.29	$5,881.63	$1,734.90	$3,276.65	$6,659.14	$2,810.44	$1,622.42	$3,375.47	$373.50	$3,763.44	$53,760.88

Table G. GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, Etc.

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Gifts to Co-operative Program or Unified Budget	Designated to Associational Missions	Designated to State Missions	Designated to Home Missions	Designated to Foreign Missions	Orphanages (Cash & Con. Estimated Value of Merch., Clothing, etc.)	Designated to Hospitals	Relief & Annuity, Other Objects	Total for All Missions	Grand Total of All Contributions For All Purposes	Pledged to Co-operative Program or Unified Budget for Coming Year	Pledged Asso. Missions for Coming Year
Abee's Chapel	Lamas Lowman, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			48.51	20.00	23.90	50.00	67.17		209.58	3,215.94		
Bethany	Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Hildebran	1,014.44	163.02	37.35	29.08	137.96	296.00	37.35	143.00	1,858.20	10,399.64	832.00	208.00
Beulah	W. A. Rhoney, Vale, Rt. 3										434.76		
Carswell Memorial	Celia Carswell, Morganton, Rt. 4	44.90		18.00		39.15	79.00	20.00		201.05	940.84		
Connelly Springs	Mrs. H. D. Smith, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2	250.00	50.00	100.00	9.26	54.32	113.89	50.00		627.47	5,317.15		
Corinth	H. E. McNeilly, Casar							10.05		10.05	1,147.83		
Henry River	Mrs. Carrie Smart, Hildebran	15.00				25.00		16.61		56.61	3,136.17		
Icard	S. A. Carswell, Icard	341.00	80.00	28.00	12.40	29.50	169.00	36.85		696.75	7,459.66		
Mt. Gilead	Gene Parker, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1						90.00	18.00		108.00	625.00		
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. Mae Abernathy, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1	70.50	50.00	17.05	8.00	17.00	70.51	30.75	50.00	313.81	2,164.38		
Mt. Vernon	Miss Lucille Upton, Vale, Rt. 2	36.00		8.71	7.55	12.40	101.71	15.15	74.54	256.06	3,932.51	50.00	
Mt. Zion	J. R. Price, Casar, Rt. 1	37.90					59.59	10.00		107.49	678.26		
Mulls Chapel	A. C. Peeler, Hickory, Rt. 4						40.36	21.75		62.11	1,671.89		
Oak Ridge	Evelyn Chavis, Connelly Springs, Box 237	109.56	50.00	55.21	25.00	25.21	156.98	60.21	2.37	484.54	3,932.10	120.00	50.00
Olive Grove	C. E. Crotts, Belwood						54.00	1.00		55.00	814.70		
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. Herman Hawkins, Morganton							35.96		35.96	637.72		
Pisgah	Clarence Parker, Lawndale	40.00					131.25	40.00		211.25	2,051.42		
St. John's	Hughes Huffman, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1						53.44	57.78		111.22	1,150.62		
St. Paul	Claude Cook, Rt. 1, Belwood	54.62	25.00				60.00	38.00		177.62	2,844.46		
Shoup's Grove	Garland Seagle, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 2						55.00	5.00		60.00	967.62		
Smart's Grove	Flora Lail, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1							8.00	51.87	59.87	745.45		
South Fork	Mrs. J. J. Hudson, Hickory, Rt. 4			41.77		24.00	84.00	20.28		170.05	2,395.48		
Walker's Chapel	Filo Huffman, Morganton, Rt. 4				15.00	20.00	70.00	15.00		120.00	860.53		
Wilkie's Grove	Ranson Hudson, Hickory, Rt. 4			17.26		17.73	20.00	24.62		79.61	1,672.19		
Zion Hill	T. E. Mull, Lawndale, Rt. 3	78.00		52.84			85.00	43.55		259.39	1,193.45		
Zoar	Mrs. R. M. Hoyle, Rt. 1, Casar				3.20	6.80	10.00	10.00		30.00	479.10		
TOTALS		$2,091.92	$418.02	$424.70	$129.49	$432.97	$1,849.73	$693.08	$321.78	$6,361.69	$60,868.87	$1,002.00	$258.00

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SECOND DAY - CORINTH

MINUTES

OF THE

SOUTH MOUNTAIN BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

THIRTY-NINTH SESSION

1949

FIRST DAY - WILKIE'S GROVE

SECOND DAY - OLIVE GROVE

October 13-14, 1949

NORTH CAROLINA

OFFICERS:

S. M. STROUPE, Connelly Springs, R. 1 ---------- Moderator
J. E. HUFFMAN, Vale, R. 2, ---------- Vice-Moderator
GETER R. POARCH, Connelly Springs, R. 2 ---------- Treasurer
MRS. J. D. GOODWIN, Hildebran, Box 439 ---------- Clerk

1950 Sessions will be held on Thursday and Friday after the second Sunday in October (October 12-13)

First Day---Oak Ridge
Second Day---Corinth

A. V. Ledford will preach the Doctrinal Sermon
N. S. Hardin will preach the Missionary Sermon

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

I. EXECUTIVE BOARD

S. M. Stroupe
Geter R. Poarch
Grady Welch
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W. M. Hudson
J. E. Huffman
L. A. Miller
A. V. Ledford
J. E. Lindsay
Clarence Parker
Mrs. J. D. Goodwin

II. OTHER OFFICERS

Sunday School Superintendent ..... Guy Smith
Training Union Director ..... Miss Martha Stroupe
Associational Missions Treasurer ..... J. Perry Abernathy
W. M. U. Superintendent ..... Mrs. Ed Swann
Hospital Representative ..... J. David Goodwin
Orphanage Representative ..... A. V. Ledford

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Church	Pastor	Address
Abee's Chapel	Jason Stillwell	Rt. 4, Hickory
Bethany	J. David Goodwin	Box 439, Hildebran
Beulah	Johnnie Spake	Rt. 1, Casar
Carswell Memorial	B. B. Brooks	Rt. 1, Mooresboro
Connelly Springs	L. A. Miller	Connelly Springs
Corinth	L. B. Harris	Mooresboro
Henry River	Grady Welch	1515 S. Marietta St., Gastonia
Icard	A. V. Ledford	Icard
Mt. Gilead	B. B. Brooks	Rt. 1, Mooresboro
Mt. Hebron	S. M. Stroupe	Rt. 1, Connelly Springs
Mt. Vernon	C. B. Bobbitt	
Mt. Zion	Roy Walker (Address on Table A)	
Mulls Chapel	J. E. Huffman	Rt. 2, Vale
Oak Ridge	Geter R. Poarch	Rt. 2, Connelly Springs
Olive Grove	W. L. Blanton	Belwood
Pleasant Grove	Thomas W. Young	Ellenboro
Pisgah	Seth Ivester	St. Rt., Lawndale
St. John's	Jason Stillwell	Rt. 4, Hickory
St. Paul	J. E. Huffman	Rt. 2, Vale
Shoup's Grove	Oscar Tucker	313 Grier St., Lincolnton
Smart's Grove	John Smart	Connelly Springs
South Fork	R. L. Ball	Valdese
Walker's Chapel	W. L. Blanton	Belwood
Wilkie's Grove	W. L. Blanton	Belwood
Zion Hill	N. S. Hardin	Rt. 5, Shelby
Zoar	C. M. Bumgardner	Sharon, S. C.

OTHER ORDAINED MINISTERS

Ralph Berry	Rt. 2, Connelly Springs
J. L. Bragg	Hildebran
G. T. Greenway	Icard
Julius Hildebran	Hickory, Rt. 4
J. O. Mull	Rt. 3, Vale, N. C.
D. E. Newton	Rt. 2, Lawndale
Harry S. Parker	Hildebran
Osco Parker	Hickory, Rt. 1-Box 316
E. L. Towery	Rt. 3, Lawndale
J. J. Waldrop	Rt. 2, Vale, N. C.
R. W. Williams	Hildebran
Willie Young	Icard
M. A. Huffman	Icard

Constitution

1. This body shall be known as "The South Mountain Baptist Association".
2. It shall be composed of messengers from Missionary Baptist Churches.
3. The messengers from any Missionary Baptist Church may be admitted into this Association upon recommendation of the Committee on Petitionary Letters and the majority vote of members present at any regular meeting.
4. Any church in good fellowship may, at her discretion, withdraw from this body.
5. This Association may at any meeting after investigation and report of a duly authorized committee of the Association by a majority vote declare a dissolution of union with any Church deemed corrupt, either in doctrine or practice.
6. Any church in this Association, with fifty members or under, may send three messengers, with one additional for each succeeding fifty members, or major fraction thereof.
7. At each session of this Association a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer shall be chosen by vote and shall hold office until their successors are elected.
8. The meetings of the Association shall be held annually beginning on Thursday after the Second Sunday of October, unless otherwise ordered by the Association or the Executive Board.
9. The design of this Association is to promote the cause of true religion within the several churches of which it is or may be composed, and to sustain the various objects fostered by the North Carolina State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.
10. This Association has no authority over any church nor any right to interfere with its internal concerns.
11. For the mutual benefit of the churches composing this Association it shall be the duty of each church to forward with messengers a written communication ot each annual meeting, specifying the names of messengers, statistics of the church for the foregoing year, giving account of its spiritual conditions, and stating the names of the pastor and other licentiates or ordained ministers connected with the church.
12. (a) In the interregnum between its regular annual sessions the business of the Association shall be committed to an Executive Booard of 10 members chosen carefully by the body with a view to their capacity and interest in the work fostered by the Association, and shall report their proceedings at each Annual Session of the Association.
(b) The board shall hold an annual meeting on the Wednesday first after the adjournment of the Association of each year, or as near as possible, at which it shall perfect an organization, appointing such committee from its membership as the interest of the work may demand.
(c) The officers of the Association shall be the officers of the Board.
(d) The Board shall hold an annual meeting, at which time the work of the year shall be planned and launched; monthly meetings thereafter and special meetings at the call of the chairman.
(e) Two successive absences from the regular meetings of this Board without satisfactory explanation on the part of any member shall automatically render his place on the Board vacant.
(f) The Board shall have the power to declare and fill vacancies that may occur between the annual sessions of the Association.
(g) Six members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of Business.
13. The special and standing committees shall be appointed by the Moderator.
14. This Constitution may be altered or amended by two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting provided such alterations or amendments shall be submitted in writing at one session and acted upon at the next.
15. "Kerfoot's Parliamentary Laws," as far as applicable, shall be followed in the government of the Association.

Rules Of Order

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. All questions of procedure shall be decided by Kerfoot's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.
3. In view of the fact that the officers of our Association come to the annual meeting with plans made for the session, be it resolved that we elect our officers at the close of the meeting to act till the close of the next annual meeting.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES OF ORDER

1. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, except by the permission of the Association.
2. No subject which has been decided by the Association shall be considered again during the same session, unless a member who voted in the majority shall move reconsideration.
3. Churches that make application for membership in the Association shall be received under the watchcare for one year, then, if they prove to be sound in faith and cooperative in our denominational work, shall be received into full fellowship.
4. All questions be decided by a majority vote of the members present.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEES TO REPORT IN 1950

Associational Missions.....Perry Abernathy
State Missions.....L. A. Miller
Home Missions.....C. B. Bobbitt
Foreign Missions.....Geter R. Poarch
Relief and Annuity.....M. A. Huffman
Sunday School.....Guy Smith
Vacation Bible School.....Ruth Hoyle
Training Union.....Martha Stroupe
Woman's Missionary Union.....Mrs. Ed Swann
Stewardship.....R. L. Ball
Temperance and Public Morals.....Seth Ivester
Hospital.....J. D. Goodwin
Christian Education.....Grady Welch
Baptist Literature.....J. E. Huffman
Orphanage.....A. V. Ledford
Baptist Brotherhood.....S. A. Carswell
Co-operative Program.....W. S. Young
Evangelism.....W. L. Blanton

Respectfully submitted,
A. V. Ledford
Chairman

CHURCHES AND THEIR MESSENGERS

ABEE'S CHAPEL—P. M. Deal, Ralph Abee, Velvel Hildebran, Mrs. Odis Lowman.

BETHANY—F. Wilson Bowman, L. N. Sweet, Boyd Owens, Mrs. F. Johnson, Mrs. J. D. Goodwin.

BEULAH—W. A. Rhoney, Mrs. W. A. Rhoney, Olin Benfield, O. O. Rhoney.

CARSWELL MEMORIAL—J. E. Lindsay, Mrs. Charles Bumgarner, Mrs. Paul Burch, Mrs. Ellen Poteet, Hester Carswell, Elbert Carswell.

CONNELLY SPRINGS—Mrs. L. A. Miller, Mrs. Harold Smith, Mrs. C. M. Icard, Mrs. F. M. Smith.

CORINTH—Mrs. J. T. McNeilly, Mrs. H. G. McNeilly, Joe Wartman, Cliff Botts, H. G. McNeilly, A. G. McNeilly.

HENRY RIVER—Mrs. Vance Brittain, Mrs. Carrie Smart, Mrs. Belle Burns, Mrs. Zenia Jones, Miss Peggy Reep.

ICARD—P. A. Berry, Roy Simpson, S. A. Carswell, Mrs. Ed Swann. Mrs. J. B. Epps, Mrs. C. T. Fulbright, Mrs. Robert Lafone.

MT. GILEAD—Bill Parker, Roscoe Smith.

MT. HEBRON—Russell Hoyle, Avory Hildebran, Sherman Lagle, Mrs. Bunnie Taylor, Mrs. Vera Stroupe, Garland Young.

MT. VERNON—J. F. Leatherman, Mrs. D. M. Tallent, Kermit Pendleton, J. A. Burton, Mrs. A. L. Gantt, Mrs. Jesse Houser, Mrs. T. E. Houser, John Heavner

MT. ZION—Jessie Davis, R. C. Fortenbury, Horace Cook, Sam Proctor, Florence Proctor.

MULLS CHAPEL—Mrs. A. L. Rhoney. W. L. Rhoney, D. R. Rhoney, R. D. Shuford, Mrs. A. C. Peeler, Mrs. H. D. Rhoney.

OAK RIDGE—Mrs Geter Poarch, Guy Smith, Mrs. J. L. Smith, Mrs. John Beach, Mrs. Bill Craycraft.

OLIVE GROVE—A. T. Spake, Johnnie Walker, Hazel Lindsay, Buren Hasting, Hazel Waker, Lee Parker, Charlie Crotts.

PLEASANT GROVE—Joe Walker, Mrs. Joe Walker, McKinley Baker, Mrs. McKinley Baker, Ezra Miller, Mrs. Ezra Miller.

PISGAH—Otto Deveney, Mrs. Otto Deveney, Dock Hastings, Mrs. Dock Hasting, Clarence Parker, Mrs. Clarence Parker, Minnie Mace, N. W. Pruett.

ST. JOHN'S—Stanley Brittain, Mrs. Stanley Brittain, Jenks Brittain, Doris Jean Brittain, Mrs. Jenks Brittain, Hughes Huffman, Viola Huffman.

ST. PAUL—C. D. Downs, R. C. White, Carlo Crotts, Kelly Costner, Emerson Cooke, Marion Benfield, Julius Earls, Claude Cooke, Paul Crotts.

SHOUP'S GROVE—Betty Jean Hildebran, Mrs. Oscar C. Tucker, Mrs. W. L. Presley, Mrs. L. R. Childers, Mrs. Garland Seagle, Carl Moody, James Powell.

SMART'S GROVE—John Abee, Ader Abee, R. E. Moses, Bula Lail, Willia Lail, Bell Lail.

SOUTH FORK—Jake Mull, Mrs. Artie Mull, Vertis Ogle.

WALKER'S CHAPEL—Frank Carswell, Filo Huffman, J. M. Huffman, Miles Carswell.

WILKIE'S GROVE—Walter Burns, J. P. Brittain, Mrs. Alice Wilkie, Mrs. Ray Paige, Charlie Martin, Mrs. Mildred Clark, Miss Mary Greenhill, Mrs. Texie Brittain, William Clark.

ZION HILL—T. E. Mull, William Hudson, Marshall Buff, Mrs. Marshall Buff, Mrs. Stuart Ramsey, Stuart Ramsey, Mrs. Gertie Proctor.

ZOAR—E. A. Pruitt, Delbert Chapman, Amos Earl Pruitt, Lester Lail, Judy Hudson.

PROCEEDINGS

39th Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association October 13, 1949

1. The 39th Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association was called to order at 9:30 a. m. by Moderator S. M. Stroupe, in the Auditorium of the Wilkie's Grove Baptist Church.

2. F. Wilson Bowman led the song service and J. David Goodwin led the devotional.

3. The program was adopted as the order of business.

4. The Moderator recognized the following visitors. J. O. Walton, Baptist Orphanage Representative, Mr. Bobbett, J. O. Summerlin, H. A. Quick, Mrs. J. O. Summerlin, Mrs. H. A. Quick and Mrs. M. A. Cheek, Bessemer, Alabama.

5. The Moderator read a list of Committees which were appointed by him, all of which will be found in the list of Committees.

6. Guy Smith read the report on Sunday Schools which was adopted as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

We are grateful to be able to report that during the past year the Sunday School work in our Association has made more progress than in recent years. One Church which had only rarely attended Associational meetings led in attendance.

Early in the year group captains organized their teams and carried the program into the various churches.

During the year 12 Associational meetings were held with 17 Churches taking part. The attendance at these meetings was almost twice that of the previous year.

During the summer a large number of our churches held Vacation Bible Schools. The attendance and interest were gratifying.

Teams have already been organized to carry next year's program into all the Churches.

May we all join our efforts and prayers to enlist all our Churches in a greater way, in the future, in order that His will may be done.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Wm. Hudson, Ass'n'l. S. S. Sec.

7. A. V. Ledford brought the report on Vacation Bible Schools which was adopted and read as follows:

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

During the summer of 1949, eleven churches of the South Mountain Baptist Association held Vacation Bible Schools. The Henry River Church had the largest enrollment, One hundred and twenty three (123) with an average attendance of one hundred two, (102). Icard was next with ninety seven enrolled and the average attendance of seventy seven. Other schools were: (the first figure is enrollment, the second average attendance) Bethany 88-57, Connellys Springs 67-56, Mt. Hebron 53-46, Mt. Vernon 38-32, Shoup's Grove 71-57, Zion Hill 40-35, Oak Ridge, South Fork and St. Paul.

Unfortunately most of the schools were operated for only one week, which proved to be just enough time to really get started for real training and Bible study. We are glad that the schools at Bethany and Icard were continued for two weeks.

Each school made a worthy offering, and in most cases it was designated to the Cooperative Program.

The number of Vacation Bible Schools this summer was commendable, but with twenty six churches in our Association let us strive to make the number much larger in 1950.

Respectfully submitted,
Martha Stroupe

8. The report on Training Union was read by Miss Lucille Upton and adopted as follows:

TRAINING UNION REPORT

In the beginning of this Training Union report I should like to quote several verses of Scripture taken from various places in the Bible. Prov. 22:6 "Train Up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it." Ephesians 6:4 "And ye fathers provoke not your children to wrath, but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Deut. 6:6-7 and 11:19 "These words which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: and thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children. Ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down and when thou risest up."

Perhaps you shall consider this a rather unusual Training Union report since, instead of quoting a series of figures, I shall attempt to arouse you to the point of doing something about Training Union organization and work in the South Mountain Association. Figures sometimes serve only to cause us to become confused and baffled and, in many cases, discouraged. The only figures I shall quote shall be some which will help us to see how completely we are failing God and some which I hope shall stir us to be doers of the Word as well as hearers. Of the 26 churches in the South Mountain Association only 8 have Training Unions, however the reports have not been complete during the past year. To begin with, I should like to congratulate those churches which have been able to organize and incorporate into their programs a Training Union and commend those which have so faithfully submitted reports regularly. We pray God's richest blessings upon these unions as they progress into a new year's work. We shall spare no effort to assist these organizations in continuing their work, but my main purpose is to arouse those of you who have no training program to do something as soon as possible about organization.

When I spoke of being doers as well as hearers, I dare say that there is scarcely a person present who hasn't heard of Training Union. Is hearing sufficient? Suppose those apostles had heard Christ's words: "Go ye therefore and teach all nations baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I command you and lo I am with you always, even unto the end of the world", and had done nothing about it? Would Christianity have spread to Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria and unto the uttermost parts of the earth?"

There are a number of things I would have you remember about Training Union work:

1. All inclusive—ages from Story Hour to Adults.
2. Training agency of the church—well planned programs and systematic Daily Bible Reading.
3. Motto—Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth.
4. Aim: Training in church membership.

It seems that today we have greater need for training in church membership than ever before. If we sought to join some fraternal or secret organization our training would be a necessity for membership. Please don't misunderstand a statement I am about to make. We don't have too many Christians, but we do have too many unconcerned and irresponsible Christians—people who are willing to carry the name of Christ, but not the work of Christ. No great progress can be made in the South Mountain Association until we become willing burden bearers, doing all we can to improve ourselves, and realize that the Great Commission was given to us almost as definitely as to any group.

In last March, at an associational wide meeting, the churches were divided into groups for the purpose of more localized Training Union work with leaders for each division. Let's continue that division and pledge ourselves here and now to do more than we've ever done to put Training Union work on a new plane.

Perhaps our Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria are our local churches, our association and our State Convention.

In conclusion may I quote a poem which might awaken us to our duty and remind us of our failure in the past to hear God's command to "Go!"

THE LORD HAS A JOB

The Lord had a job for me: but I had so much to do,
I said, "You get somebody else or wait till I get through".
I don't know how the Lord came out, no doubt he got along;
But I feel kind of sneaking like, I knew I'd done God wrong.
One day I needed the Lord—needed him right away,
But He never answered me at all, and I could hear him say,
Down in my accusing heart, "Child I've got too much to do;
You get somebody else, or wait till I get through."
Now when the Lord has a job for me, I'll never try to shirk;
I drop what I have on hand and do the Lord's good work
And my affairs can run along or wait 'till I get through
Nobody else can do the work that God has marked for you.

Respectfully submitted,
Miss Lucille Upton, Associational Director

9. Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Quick rendered special music after which Grady Welch led in prayer.

10. Moderator S. M. Stroupe spoke earnestly about the work of the Association.

11. Report of Committee on Committees:

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

FINANCE COMMITTEE—L. A. Miller, Chairman; J. E. Lindsay, Billie Blanton.

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER—Guy Smith, Chairman; Mrs. Edna Young, Willie Hudson.

NOMINATIN GCOMMITTEE—J. David Goodwin, Chairman; Grady Welch, J. E. Huffman.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE—A. V. Ledford, Chairman; R. L. Ball, M. A. Huffman.

RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE—Miss Lucille Upton, Chairman; Mrs. A. V. Ledford, Mrs. H. C. Taylor.

Respectfully submitted,
Committee on Committees
Geter R. Porch, Chairman
Russell Hoyle
S. A. Carswell

12. Moderator S. M. Stroupe read to the body an amendment to the constitution for their acceptance or rejection of same. This amendment was written by J. David Goodwin. The Association voted to accept this amendment.

13. J. O. Walton, orphanage representative spoke at this time giving us much valuable information regarding the fine work being done by the Homes.

14. The congregation stood and sang the old hymn, "Tell Me the Story of Jesus" after which John Smart brought the annual message.

15. After a word of prayer the Association adjourned for lunch.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

16. The Association was called to order at 1:30 p. m. by Moderator, S. M. Stroupe. L. A. Miller led the song service and R. L. Ball led the devotional.

17. Vice-Moderator, H. A. Quick having moved from the Association, gave a few parting remarks.

18. The report on The Minister's Retirement plan was read by S. M. Stroupe, which was adopted and reads as follows:

THE MINISTERS RETIREMENT PLAN

Our Ministers Retirement Plan began in 1940.

We have now in N. C. about 580 members of the Retirement Plan. Dr. M. A. Huggins says there ought to be at least 1500 members in North Carolina.

Who is entitled to Membership in the Retirement Plan?

Any full time cooperative pastor in the Southern Baptist Convention.

Any full time Church Employee in harmony with the Southern Baptist Convention.

Who receives full benefits from the Ministers Retirement Plan?

Pastors pay four percent of their salary, the church pays an equal amount and the Convention adds to this, something around eighteen dollars per year.

This goes to build up an annuity for the member when he has retired or become disabled. The benefits received will be determined by the number of years the member has participated in the Plan and the amount of salary received during the years of membership.

Membership can be secured in the Ministers Retirement Plan on a two or three percent basis, which would mean reduced benefits.

Pastors should make every effort to join the Retirement Plan. There is nothing else that can compare with it in the way of providing some income for disability or old age.

I am indebted to the Churches that I have served within the last six years, and to the Baptist State Convention, for making it possible for me to hold Membership in the Ministers Retirement Plan on the four percent Basis.

Any minister who would like to have an assured income out yonder in the future would do well to become a member of this plan.

How to get started in the Plan.—

Make up your mind to pay four percent of your annual salary into the plan, and ask your church or churches to match your four percent with an equal amount, then write Dr. M. A. Huggins for membership blanks.

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. Stroupe

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19. The above report was spoken to by Dr. E. L. Spivey, State Mission Board.

20. The report on North Carolina Baptist Hospital was read by Seth Ivester and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL 1949

Teaching and healing, two of the principal precepts of Christ's ministry, are the main objectives of our Baptist Hospital, which, together with the Bowman Gray School of medicine of Wake Forest College, forms the only Baptist owned hospital and medical school combined in the world today.

Underlying these objectives is the Christian responsibility of caring for the poor by giving them the medical service they require and by ministering to the sick throughout the State.

Funds received each year in our Mothers Day offering are used to pay the hospital expenses of those patients who can pay only a part of the cost of their hospitalization or nothing at all. Receipts from the churches in Mothers Day offerings in 1948 totaled $141,150.51. This included the value of linens contributed through Woman's Missionary Union and estimated at $2,115.09 last year. Approximately half of the 8,800 bed patients admitted to the hospital in 1948 and all those seen in the 36,000 visits made to the outpatient clinic paid no doctor's fee and were assisted by the Mother's Day offering.

Our hospital provided more free service in 1948 than any other denominationally controlled hospital in the South. Free service amounting to $314,777.17 which was dispensed to patients in the hospital and the out-patient clinics, was made possible by individual contributions, welfare agencies, the Duke Endowment, but mainly through the Mother's Day offering.

The Hospital is the property of North Carolina Baptists and is the concrete expression of their desire to minister to the whole person. A patients need for pastoral care is increased, rather than lessened, by his physical sickness. To meet this need, the hospital has established a full Department of Religion with a director, a chaplain and a student secretary. Their duties consist of pastoral care of patients, the promotion of a religious program for nurses and medical students, including the teaching of Bible in the School of Nursing, the conducting of a program of Clinical Pastoral Training for pastors and theological students, and ministering to the patients and their families.

The chaplain is on call 24 hours a day at the hospital.

The Department of Religion is a bridge between the hospital and the parent denomination and as such it helps to keep the hospital close to the motives of Christian service on which it was founded.

Respectfully submitted,
Seth Ivester

21. L. A. Miller gave the report of the finance committee as follows:

22. The Treasurer Report was given by P. M. Deal as follows:

TREASURER'S REPORT

To the South Mountain Association:

On hand October 1, 1948	$ 8.73
Received from Finance Committee	244.17
TOTAL	$252.90
Disbursements:	
Printing of Programs	$ 10.75
Clerk	90.00
Printing of Minutes	120.00
Last years minutes	25.00
Total	$245.75
Balance in Treasury	$ 7.15

Respectfully submitted,
P. M. Deal, Treasurer.

23. The report on State Missions was read by Geter R. Poarch and adopted as follows:

STATE MISSIONS — 1949

Since the organization of The Baptist State Convention State Missions has been central in the thinking of Baptist life in North Carolina. Baptists are a powerful denomination today, and so far as one can see this is true because during the years there has been in operation a fairly aggressive state Mission program.

Most of the churches in North Carolina have been aided in one way or another through the State Mission program. Within the past fifteen years some four hundred new churches have come into existence, and State Missions has helped in one way or another perhaps three-fourth of them.

For a hundred years aid has been given in helping on pastors' salaries in new churches located in strategic centers without, however, neglecting those churches in sparsely settled areas. Speaking in business terms, these investments have brought rich dividends because every activity which Baptists support through the State Mission program has touched the churches more directly than have the activities of other agencies.

As the Denomination has grown so has the State Mission program. There are now nineteen different activities in this program. These activities are listed herewith:

S Sunday School Work
T Training Union Work
A Summer Assemblies
T Teaching Activities (Visual Education, Radio, Etc.)
E Evangelism (City and Association-wide Revivals)

M New and Needy Churches
I Work Among the Indians
S Schools for Ministers
S Work Among Silent People
I Interracial Activities
O Other Activities—Including Allied Church League, Rural Work
N Neglested Areas (Lost for New Churches)
S Student Work Among 15,000 Baptist Students

How is this great program supported? State Missions receives 13c out of the total gifts through the Cooperative Program. In addition to that some money is received through the Sunday School Board to promote the departments of Sunday School, Training Union, and Student Work. Then the Woman's Missionary Union makes a special offering in September. Then October is STATE MISSION MONTH. During that month, and particularly on the last two Sundays the people are asked to make a special offering through the Sunday schools and churches for all these activities.

(Let us all remember that State Missions is not ONE object but NINETEEN. One's offering, therefore, would need to be a dollar if only 5c is given to each activity.

It is hoped that every pastor and every Sunday school superintendent, along with the teachers in the Sunday schools, will get behind the program in October and get the greatest offering by far that has ever been made for State Missions.

Our association is asked to give $600.00, which means each church should give about $23.00, which is about 27c each (surely we can do it).

Respectfully submitted,
Geter R. Poarch

24. Following the above report Dr. E. L. Spivey stirred the hearts of all those present as he spoke ably and earnestly about State Missions.

25. Report on Time, Place and Preacher Committee reads as follows:

REPORT ON TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Time: Thursday and Friday, October 12th and 13th, 1950.
Place: First Day—Oak Ridge; Second Day—Corinth
Preacher: Doctrinal Sermon—A. V. Ledford.
Missionary Sermon—N. S. Hardin

Respectfully submitted,
Committee, Guy Smith, Mrs. Edna Young, Willie Hudson

26. B. B. Brooks read the report on Evangelism which was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

Let us lift up our eyes and look on the fields, for they are white already to harvest.

With more than 4,000,000 lost people in our southern highlands, and in some Counties of this era less than 8% are members of any Church.

With almos 3,000 ordained baptist ministers in North Carolina of which more than 800 are not active in the pastorate, and but few of this number in Evangelistic work.

May we (Baptists) put forth a greater effort, and work together with God, in this great task, of bringing these lost people to a saving knowledge of Him.

Respectfully submitted,
B. B. Brooks

27. Report of Nominating Committee reads as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your nominating committee wishes to present the following names as your officers for 1950 :
Moderator—S. M. STROUPE
Vice-Moderator—J. E. HUFFMAN
Treasurer—GETER R. POARCH
Clerk—MRS. J. D. GOODWIN
Treasurer of Missions—J. PERRY ABERNATHY
Sunday School Superintendent—GUY SMITH
Training Union Director—MISS MARTHA STROUPE

Respectfully submitted,
Nominating Committee,
J. David Goodwin, Chairman
J. E. Huffman
Grady Welch

28. With a word of prayer the Association adjourned to meet Friday mrning at 9:15 with the Olive Grove Church.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

29. The Friday morning session convened at 9:15 a. m. in the auditorium of the Olive Grove Church with Moderator S. M. Stroupe presiding. C. R. Upton led the song service and W. L. Blanton led the devotional.

30. L. L. Carpentar, Editor Biblical Recorder brought an interesting talk about our Baptist State Convention Journal.

31. Dr. W. K. McGee of the N. C. Baptist Hospital spoke at this time giving us much valuable information regarding the work of the hospital.

32. C. R. Upton read the report on Home Missions which was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

The Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845. The three hundred messengers from the Baptist churches in eight states and the District of Columbia, met in Augusta, Georgia, and in organizing the Southern Baptist Convention performed one of the most significant pieces of work in all Christian history.

This great missionary movement was started for the one purpose, to promote the kingdom of God on earth on a purely voluntary and co-operative basis. There was just one issue before the churches of that day, and that same issue is before the churches of today, and that issue is, is Christ necessary to the world's redemption?

To those who believe the scriptures, the gospel is a new truth, a truth different in kind. The gospel reveals unto us that Christ Jesus, is God meeting us in our own nature and providing redemption from sin for us. He is therefore necessary for all men, or He is not necessary for men at all.

Southern Baptists believe that Christ is necessary for all men. They agree with the Apostle Peter, that in none other is there salvation, for neither is there any other name under heaven given among men wherein we must be saved. It was upon this foundation that the Southern Baptist Convention was established.

Figures have been compiled to show that there are now 77,000,000 church members in the United States. But there is a disturbing discrepancy between the size of the Christian group and their influence on American life. Herein lies the challenge to "Home Missions" aside from working with and among the language groups, the races, and the under-privileged, we must strengthen and broaden our home base by leading our churches into a closer walk with God. The translation of the faith which we claim to hold into the actuality of conduct and character. For if the foundations be destroyed what can the righteous do?

The momentum of the projection of the gospel around the world will be accelerated in proportion to the power it receives from the home base. All of our mission work home, state and foreign in order to reach the ultimate in accomplishment for the glory of God and the freedom of men must root in the upper room in Jerusalem, and stem from the Pentecostal outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

We need more praying, more faith, more love in order to meet the great challenge that confronts us on the home front.

Home Mission work has many departments, but all of them are only the means to an end, and that end is to make men free.

To seek with our prayer, our means, our efforts to destroy every sort of human coercion which would prevent a free soul from carrying on business with a sovereign God in its own way.

Figures show that we have come a long way in the past one hundred years but there still remains a long way to go and the road lies straight ahead. May we be on the march.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. Young

33. The report on W. M. U. was adopted without reading.

REPORT OF W. M. U.

The year of 1948 marked the 60th anniversary of the founding of Women's Missionary Union, and was claimed "Our Commemoration Year". We should like to express gratitude to all members of the South Mountain W. M. U. as well as the W. M. U. throughout Southern Baptist Convention, and with our watchword for 1949. we humbly pray that we may continue "To make known to the Sons of Men His mighty acts and the Glory of the Majesty of His Kingdom"—Psalm 145:12.

The primary purpose of the W. M. U. is to give Missionary information. Through mission programs, mission study books, and missionary magazines. The world reveals hundreds of millions of people who need the gospel.

Steadily through the eyes of our young people this need is being seen, and as the eyes and heart are lightened with the knowledge of the need of Christian Missions, then hindrances will crumble and barriers will be lifted.

Prayer is essential. Through the Calendar of Prayer, we have a chain around the world. May there be no broken links.

Our work in South Mountain is progressing and at present we have great possibilities. With the help of the Lord we hope to meet them.

Our women are continuing to be a Lydia, a Priscilla, or a Dorcus in their community in carrying on important work.

We have 19 organizations, this includes both the W. M. S. and Young People. 223 members. 1 W. M. S.; 2 Y. W. A.; 5 G. A.'s 3 R. A.'s, 3 Sunbeams; 49 Tithers.

Our data is not complete at present for contributions. Our total gifts through December was $285.22. This did not include gifts to orphanage, Hospital, or Community Missions. Our Community Missions go very near the above amount for some of our W. M. S. are doing a great work.

We need to be found faithful at all times, and daily prayer for a world wide revival, first beginning in our own hearts and our own church—and may we help to make Him known throughout our association.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Ed Swann, Supt.

34. The report on Foreign Missions was read by J. E. Huffman, spoken to by him and adopted as follows:

FOREIGN MISSIONS

The Foreign Mission Board deals with missionary undertakings in 119 mission centers situated in 30 geographical areas of the world, with an overall budget of approximately $5,000,000. It covers the work conducted by 610 missionaries, and has to do with the activities of hundreds of local churches in lands overseas and the programs of evangelism which these churches conduct present the efforts of the work in all of its achievements. Among these achievements are Christian Schools and Colleges, Bible Schools, Theological Seminaries, Training Schools, Christian Literature, and Churches which represents the efforts of 6,491,-981 Baptist with 26,822 churches. Several new centers have been opened. Among the foreign mission highlights are: a missionary doctor's success in securing a license to practice medicine in Paraguay, making possible establishment of Southern Baptists' first hospital in South America.

From our mission fields we hear the cry for more preachers. Our work is being hindered in parts of China and Europe. Elsewhere the doors are open. Baptists have great opportunity in Japan. There has been a request for one hundred missionaries to Japan as soon as possible. Dr. Everett Gill states that the opportunities in Latin America are unprecedented and that the number of missionaries there should be doubled.

The work in Africa is calling for more laborers there. Surely when we look on the world, which is the field with its teaming millions that need the gospel, the Baptists should rally more to support of Foreign Missions in order to reach the goal of 1,750 overseas missionaries with an overall budget of $10,000,000.

God help us to work, pray and give that the Great Commission may be promoted. Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. Mark 16, 15.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. J. E. Huffman

35. The Associational Missions report was read by J. David Goodwin and adopted as follows:

TREASURER OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSIONS REPORT

Balance October 15, 1948	$ 37.50
Received from Churches	75.00
Total	$112.50
Paid Out	None
Balance in Treasury October 14, 1949	$112.50

Respectfully submitted,
J. P. Abernethy

36. The report on Baptist Brotherhood was submitted and adopted without reading:

BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD

We know that the Bible teaches us very emphatically, that we as Christians should live and practice a Brotherhood, that could be unequaled by any lodge or organization, outside, of the Church.

It is the purpose of the Baptist Brotherhood of our Southern Baptist Convention, to teach this great lesson of Christian Brotherhood, and to help win the world for Christ. We as Churches will never come any closer to this goal, if we do not lay on the hearts of our men, (The Strength of Any Church) the great need of the world today, and their need of Christ.

May we, as members of the South Mountain Association endeavor to organize our men in this Christian Brotherhood, that we may go forward with Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
F. Wilson Bowman

37. The report on Baptist Literature was submitted by L. A. Miller and adopted without reading:

BAPTIST LITERATURE

Jesus said, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." This puts the Bible at the head of all other literature. We agree that it should be read in every home and in gatherings everywhere. It is God speaking to man.

Baptists have as their guide this great book called the Holy Bible, and it is our only guide. There are several other types of literature that Baptists use and believe in. The Commission, Home Mission, Biblical Recorder, and Charity and Children are worthy of mention and are used by many Baptists. The Commission is our Foreign Mission paper and should be in every Baptist home. The Home Mission covers the work of the Baptists in the southland. The Biblical Recorder covers the work of our state in the Lord's Kingdom. The Charity and Children covers the news and the work of the Mills Home at Thomasville and the Kennedy Home at Kinston.

There are various books published by the Baptist Board which cover every phase of our work and should be in every church library. We believe that in all literature none can be found better than that published by the Baptists.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. Miller

38. Grady Welch read the report on Stewardship which was adopted as follows:

STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship implies responsibility and responsibility demands faithfulness every individual who names the name of Christ should consider Stewardship in the light of personal responsibility.

In Psalm 24:1 we read "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof". This scripture teaches us that we own nothing. We are only Stewards of all that we possess.

We are stewards of our possessions. Material possessions are a trust from God. Man must account for every penny that comes into his possession. Certainly the christian recognizes that at least one tenth of his income must be returned to God in recognition of his responsibility as a steward, but that Christian who truly loves his Lord will give more than the tithe, there will be the desire to give his Lord an offering.

But there is more to be considered than money. When we study the great principle of Stewardship the Christian is responsible for every minute of his life. He is responsible to God for the way in which he uses his time, his talents and abilities.

Respectfully submitted,
Grady E. Welch

39. A quartet consisting of F. Wilson Bowman, L. A. Miller, Geter R. Poarch and C. R. Upton gave us a message in song at this time.

40. The congregation stood and sang "I Need Thee Every Hour", after which Otis Mull brought the missionary sermon reading from John 14. With a word of prayer the Association adjourned for lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

41. The Association assembled at 1:30 p. m. with Vice-Moderator J. E. Huffman presiding. P. M. Deal led the song service and M. A. Huffman led the devotion, speaking on the Baptism of Jesus.

42. The Association voted to have Moderator name the ten member board to act as Executive Board. The names will be found elsewhere in the minutes.

43. A motion was made and duly seconded that the clerks salary be reduced from $100.00 to $75.00. Motion was carried.

44. A. V. Ledford brought to the Association an amendment to the Rules of Order which was accepted.

45. Oscar C. Tucker read the report on Christian Education which was adopted as follows:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Let this mind be in you which was in Christ Jesus. Phil. 2,5

In the beginning may we say that our Lord had in mind a high idea of Chrisitan living that would influence a people to turn from the paths of sin and follow him. So may we be minded enough to know that we cannot Educate Christianity in a person but am glad that we can help those who have Christ and wish to prepare themselves for the task that is before them.

We are glad to report to you that among the sixty of our Baptist Institutions there is the largest enrollments of any time and sorry to report that in some cases many are being turned away for the simple reason of the lack of room. So

this should cause us to become more burdened for our Boys and Girls. Now that they feel the call for not only Foreign Mission but Home Mission as well. So in this case there is some things that we as Missionary Baptists must do. First may I say that we ought to secure ample room to take care of them. Next to get the best consecrated Chrisitans we can find to be their leader one who is sound in Baptist Doctrine and intelligent and courageous and have the work at heart and mind one who is willing to lead our boys and girls into a higher realm of Christian living. And, too, may I say that we ought to see that the campus is rid of all such things that will influence them to take sides with the world. May I say this that if my boy or girl was in school as a parent I would do all that I could for them. So we as Pastors and Deacons and Laymen and all other leaders know that all the Pupils of our Church are our Children, so in this case we ought to see that they are cared for in every respect not only by our prayers but of our money also.

May I close in saying that we ought to visit our schools once in a while and see that they are not taught form and fashion instead of salvation with reality.

Respectfully submitted,
Oscar C. Tucker

46. There was no report on The Cooperative Program, so the association voted to give ten minutes to each of the following men to speak on The Cooperative Program, A. V. Ledford and J. David Goodwin.

47. Geter Poarch spoke a few minutes in behalf of the good work of the Fruitland Baptist Bible Institute.

48. Mrs. A. V. Ledford read the report of the Committee on Resolutions which was adopted as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

The Resolution Committee wishes to submit the following report:

We are thankful to our Heavenly Father for His guidance during the past year, and for affording us another opportunity for assembling together in love and Christian fellowship in our Association.

We are grateful for the magnificant leadership of our officers, leaders and pastors in carrying forward the great work of our Lord.

We pledge anew our loyalty, support and wholehearted cooperation to our officers during the coming year in helping us to be about our Fathers business. To all visitors and those appearing on our program, who through reports, comments and special music made our associational meeting a greater success, we wish to express our gratitude for their presence and inspiration.

Be it resolved that we, the officers, messengers, and visitors of the South Mountain Association, express to the pastor and the members of Wilkies' Grove and Olive Grove Baptist Churches, our sincere appreciation for the bountiful meals and delightful entertainment so graciously provided and extended to us during this session of our association.

Respectfully submitted,
Lucille Upton, Chm.
Mrs. H. C. Taylor
Mrs. A. V. Ledford

49. W. S. Young spoke of 21 who had been lost by death and led in special prayer of Thanksgiving for the lives of these departed and invoking God's blessings upon their loved ones.

50. Moderator S. M. Stroupe asked the association to pledge their cooperation to the newly elected officers which served as an appropriate climax to one of the greatest sessions ever held in the South Mountain Association.

S. M. STROUP, Moderator
MRS. J. D. GOODWIN, Clerk

MINUTE FUND

Abee's Chapel	$15.00
Bethany	12.00
Beulah	2.00
Carswell Memorial	6.00
Connelly Springs	10.00
Corinth	3.00
Henry River	7.00
Icard	10.00
Mt. Vernon	10.00
Mt. Zion	6.25
Mulls Chapel	7.00
Oak Ridge	6.00
Olive Grove	5.00
Pleasant Grove	6.00
Pisgah	7.00
St. John's	3.00
St. Paul	7.25
Shoup's Grove	5.00
Smart's Grove	4.00
South Fork	3.00
Walker's Chapel	6.00
Wilkie's Grove	3.50
Zion Hill	6.00
Zoar	3.50
TOTAL	$153.50

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ABEE'S CHAPEL—Deacon Soloman Hildebran.

BETHANY—Mrs. M. C. Wilson.

BEULAH—Mrs. Annar Yancey

CARSWELL MEMORIAL—Grover Watts.

CONNELLY SPRINGS—J. E. Deal, Mrs. J. F. Cook, Miss Mildred Stillwell, Miss Janette Bowman.

MULLS CHAPEL—Miss Mary Ellen Hoyle, Sunday School Secretary.

OLIVE GROVE—John Tallent, Mrs. Janie Walker.

PLEASANT GROVE—George Pruitt, Mrs. Junie Pruitt.

ST. JOHN'S—Mrs. Mattie Huffman, Mrs. Iva Hoyle.

SHOUP'S GROVE—Mrs. P. L. Young, John Young, Simp Taylor.

WALKER'S CHAPEL—Mrs. Oma Cook.

WILKIE'S GROVE—Mrs. Alice Burns, Mrs. Mamie Saunders.

Table A. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location OC-V T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	GAINS Baptisms	GAINS Letter and Other Additions	Losses By Death	Total Pres. Resident Membership	Total Non-resident Membership	Total Grand Total Pres. M'ship	SPECIAL INF No. of Revival Meetings Held	SPECIAL INF Number Tithers	SPECIAL INF State Paper In Budget	SPECIAL INF Church Library
Abee's Chapel	OC	1886	2,4	Jason Stilwell, Rt. 4 Hickory	9	3	1			126	2		No	No
Bethany	V	1885	All	J. David Goodwin, Bx. 439, Hildebran	13	6	7			346	2	60	No	Yes
Beulah	OC	1905	2,4	Johnny Spake, Rt. 1, Casar	4	10	9			84	2		No	No
Carswell Memorial	OC	1938	2,4	B. B. Brooks, Rt. 1, Mooresboro	1	3	2	50	8	58	1		No	Yes
Connelly Springs	V	1899	All	L. A. Miller, Connelly Springs	7	1	27	138	50	188	2	45	No	Yes
Corinth	OC	1884	1 3	L. B. Harris, Mooresboro	5	2	4			164	2		No	Yes
Henry River	V	1940	All	Grady Welch, 1515 S. Marietta St., Gastonia	32	2		90	90	180	2	23	No	No
Icard	V	1918	All	A. V. Ledford, Icard	4	9	4	230	25	255	1	50	No	Yes
Mt. Gilead	OC	1888	1,3	B. B. Brooks		2		60	12	72		2	No	Yes
Mt. Hebron	OC		1,2,3,4	S. M. Stroupe, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs	14	1	1	117	49	166	2	24	No	Yes
Mt. Vernon	OC	1924	All	C. B. Bobbitt	5		11	192	44	236	1	12	No	Yes
Mt. Zion	OC	1848	1,3,4	Roy Walker, Bx. 393, Cherryville	7	2	8	84	95	179	1		No	Yes
Mulls Chapel	OC	1871	1,2,3 4	J. E. Huffman, Rt. 2, Vale	1	1	1	100	6	106	2	8	No	No
Oak Ridge	OC	1943	All	Geter R. Poarch, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs	4	1	14	94	13	107	1	31	No	No
Olive Grove	OC	1884	1,2,4	W. L. Blanton, Belwood	4	1	17	120	73	193	1		No	No
Pleasant Grove	OC	1876	2,4	Thomas W. Young, Ellenboro	3	11	11	80	30	110	2	9	No	No
Pisgah	OC	1840	2,4	Seth Ivester, St. Rt., Lawndale	3	3	3	133	13	146	1	8	No	No
St. John's	OC	1842	1,2,3,4	Jason Stilwell	8	6	8			82	2		No	No
St. Paul	OC	1870	1,3	J. E. Huffman	10	5	6	240	177	417	2		No	No
Shoup's Grove	OC	1890	1,2,3,4	Oscar C. Tucker, 313 Grier St., Lincolnton	4		3	90	20	110	2		No	No
Smart's Grove	OC	1935		John Smart, Connelly Springs	4					60	2		No	No
South Fork	OC	1937	All	R. L. Ball, Valdese	6	4				102	2	18	No	No
Walker's Chapel	OC	1915	1,3	W. L. Blanton	12	2	1	135		135	2	11	No	No
Wilkie's Grove	OC	1893	1,2,3,4	W. L. Blanton	6	1	9			140	2	3	No	No
Zion Hill	OC	1882	2,4	N. S. Hardin, Rt. 5, Shelby	9	3	10	159	59	218	1	9	No	No
Zoar	OC	1937	1,3	C. M. Baumgardner, Sharon, S. C.	11	4				64	2	3	No	No
TOTALS					186	83	157	2112	764	4044	42	316		

Table B. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Crad. Roll, H.M.	Nursery—Att. Sun.	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted Classes and Depts.	Grand Total Sun. School Enrolment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrolment	Avg. Attendance
Abee's Chapel	Delkie Mourlea, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs		18	10	13	12	7	40	22		11	133	85		
Bethany	Albert Brittain, Hildebran			26	18	38	26	26	85	21	4	244	160	88	59
Beulah	Sherman Ross, Rt. 3, Vale			11	8	13	10	27	26			95	60		
Carswell Memorial	J. E. Lindsay, Morganton, Rt. 4			5		8	7	10	10			40			
Connelly Springs	H. D. Smith, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2		16	14	15	31	26	15	72	22	2	213	112	67	56
Corinth	A. G. McNeilly, Casar, Rt. 1														
Henry River	Burl Childers, Hildebran	5	12	20	11	23	30	11	36	2		150	103	123	101
Icard	E. F. Swann, Icard	4		37	27	34	34	34	89		4	264	154	87	77
Mt. Gilead	Gene Parker, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			16	12	8			15		2	53	40		
Mt. Hebron	S. L. Lagle, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1		26	8	28	38	22	7	54		3	186	80	53	46
Mt. Vernon	Kermit Pendleton, Rt. 2, Vale			16	16	19	24	46	48		3	172	80	38	30
Mt. Zion	Bulan Short, Casar			20	14		15	15	25		8	97	52		
Mulls Chapel	Eddie Rhoney, Connelly Springs Rt. 1	5	4	6	7	10	15	19	8		2	84	64		
Oak Ridge	Bill Craycraft, Rt. 2, Connelly Springs	10		9	13	17	18	29	40	10	3	139	89	53	48
Olive Grove	Buren Hasting, Casar			15	6	10	27	19	18		8	103	80		
Pleasant Grove	C. A. Martin, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	5	3	12	15	18	12	19	37	4		125	85		
Pisgah	N. W. Pruitt, Casar			14	15	14	28	14	28		9	122	65		
St. John's	Jenks Brittain, Rt. 1, Connelly Sprgs.			20	9	8	11	12	24		7	91	75		
St. Paul	Marion Benfield, Rt. 1, Belwood	21		17	18	23	34	33	84		4	213	116	83	69
Shoup's Grove	Henry Brittain ,Icard		16	25	22	25	20	30	30		19	175	95	71	66
Smart's Grove	R. E. Moses, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs		5	15	7	15		14	29			85	60		
South Fork	Virgin Martin, Hickory, Rt. 3	5		16	11	22	12	23	27			117	75	45	44
Walker's Chapel	Wade Huffman, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2			20	18	18	18	32	32		2	128	75		
Wilkie's Grove	William Clark, Hickory, Rt. 4			26	13	17	25		47			128	85		
Zion Hill	W. M. Hudson, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1			11	15	15	25	26	61		4	157	98	40	35
Zoar	E. A. Pruitt, Casar				19	12		16	34			81	45		
TOTALS		55	98	389	350	448	446	517	981	59	95	3395	2033	758	631

Table C. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Story Hours	Junior Unions	Intermediate Unions	Young People's Unions	Adult Unions	Grand Total Unions	Story Hours Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Adults Enrolled	General Officers Enrolled	Total Enrollment	Avg. Attendance	Youth Week	Christian Home Week
Abee's Chapel																	
Bethany	Mrs. Eugene Johnson, Hickory, Rt. 4	1	1	2	1	2	7	10	10	20	8	16	11	75	53	No	No
Beulah																	
Carswell Memorial																	
Connelly Springs	Clauds M. Icard, Rutherford College	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	12	12	6	7	4	46	43	Yes	No
Corinth																	
Henry River	Mrs. Carrie Smart, Hildebran		1		1	1	3		20		24	17	1	62	36	No	No
Icard	Mrs. Dale Wilson, Box 125, Icard	1	1	1	1	1	5	16	17	19	12	17	4	81	61	No	No
Mt. Gilead																	
Mt. Hebron	Russell Hoyle, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1	1	1	1		1	4	6	10	9		8		33	27	No	Yes
Mt. Vernon		1	1	1	1	1	5	5	13	14	13	12		57	20	No	No
Mt. Zion																	
Mulls Chapel																	
Oak Ridge	Miss Barbara Berry, R-2, Connelly Sprgs.	1	1	1	1	1	5	6	9	11	12	7	2	47	36	Yes	No
Olive Grove																	
Pleasant Grove																	
Pisgah																	
St. John's																	
St. Paul																	
Shoup's Grove																	
Smart's Grove																	
South Fork	Vertis Ogle, Hickory	1	1	1	1	1	5							65	50	No	No
Walker's Chapel																	
Wilkie's Grove																	
Zion Hill	Pearlie Wright, Lawndale, Rt. 3	1	1	1	1	1	5	11	6	16	15	19	2	69	45	Yes	No
Zoar																	
TOTALS		8	9	9	8	10	44	59	97	101	90	103	24	535	371		

Table D. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	W.M.S. Units	Y.W.A. Units	G.A. Units	R.A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W.M.S. Enrolled	Y.W.A. Enrolled	G.A. Enrolled	R.A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Enrolled in Mission Study	Total Tithers All Organizations
Abee's Chapel															
Bethany	Mrs. Opal Johnson, Hildebran	1		1	1	1	4	16		8	8	9	41		17
Beulah															
Carswell Memorial															
Connelly Springs	Mrs. L. A. Miller, Connelly Springs	1		1			2	12		16			28		12
Corinth															
Henry River	Mrs. Zenia Jones, Hildebran	1					1	17					17		13
Icard	Mrs. Howard Penland, Icard	1	1	2	1	1	6	18	15	19	18	12	82		15
Mt. Gilead															
Mt. Hebron															
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. D. M. Tallant, Rt. 2, Vale	1				1	2	20				17	37	11	7
Mt. Zion															
Mulls Chapel															
Oak Ridge	Mrs. Geter Poarch, R-2, Connelly Springs	1		1	1	1	4	21		12	8	15	56	9	18
Olive Grove															
Pleasant Grove															
Pisgah															
St. John's															
St. Paul															
Shoup's Grove															
Smart's Grove															
South Fork															
Walker's Chapel															
Wilkie's Grove															
Zion Hill															
Zoar															
TOTALS		6	1	5	3	4	17	104	15	55	34	52	261	20	82

Table E. BROTHERHOOD WORK—BUILDING—GOALS

CHURCHES	DIRECTORS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	Brotherhood		BUILDING			Goals	
		Enrolment of Brotherhood	Meetings Held During Year	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastors' Home	Total Church Debt at End of Year	Goal Co-operative Program or Unified Budget New Year	Goal Association Missions Coming Year
Abee's Chapel					$ 6084.33			
Bethany		16	12	$ 5000.00	37500.00	$1987.90	20% of offer.	
Beulah					3000.00			
Carswell Memorial					4000.00		45.00	
Connelly Springs				5000.00	20000.00		10% of offer.	
Corinth					13000.00			
Henry River					16256.81	1149.08		
Icard				7500.00	20000.00	1000.00		
Mt. Gilead				1500.00				
Mt. Hebron				5000.00	9000.00			
Mt. Vernon				10000.00	20000.00		35.00	
Mt. Zion					4000.00		60.00	
Mulls Chapel					10500.00			
Oak Ridge					15000.00	2523.00	120.00	50.00
Olive Grove					2385.75			
Pleasant Grove					5000.00			
Pisgah					3550.00			
St. John's					20000.00	1800.00		
St. Paul					1500.00			
Shoup's Grove					4000.00	800.00		
Smart's Grove								
South Fork								
Walker's Chapel								
Wilkie's Grove				2000.00	4000.00			
Zion Hill								
Zoar								
TOTALS		16	12	$36000.00	$207976.89	$9259.98	$	$50.00

Table F. CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Funds on Hand Beginning of year	Total Gifts Recorded all offerings and organizations	Pastor's Salary Paid for Year	Other Salaries	Maintenance, Church Property	New Buildings	Literature, Song Book, etc.	Local Mission and Benevolences	Revival Expense and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Expenditures Total Local
Abee's Chapel	Ulen Lowman, Rt. 1, Valdese	$ 1035.11	$ 2170.70	$ 570.00	$ 120.00	$ 16.00	$	$ 40.45	$ 150.79	$ 355.00	$	$ 300.75	$ 1552.99
Bethany	Jones Abernathy, Hildebran	375.49	11480.17	3770.00	1690.00	39.00	2000.00	408.42	219.31	390.00	576.00	720.33	9813.06
Beulah	Mrs. W. A. Rhoney, Rt. 3, Vale			287.74		3.40		32.51		119.42		130.90	573.97
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. Ellen Poteet, Rt. 4, Morganton	1516.29	933.00	420.81				30.44				57.60	508.85
Connelly Springs	Mrs. Daisy Lester, Rutherford C	645.41	6271.52	2925.00	180.00	926.71		401.51	216.73	200.00		284.65	5134.60
Corinth	C. S. Botts, Casar, Rt. 1	50.00		427.28				78.78		79.30			585.36
Henry River	Mrs. Raymond Burns, Hildebran	144.03	3029.29	1560.00				169.73	152.37	193.97	312.00	377.28	2765.35
Icard	Miss Julia Carswell, Icard	376.66	8508.87	3350.00	236.00	357.20		239.73	328.25	125.00	2076.00	1703.60	8415.78
Mt. Gilead	Gene Parker, Connelly Springs	301.34		215.79		4.00		69.00		87.75			376.54
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. S. L. Lagle, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1	177.01	3573.95	1460.00		151.68		162.36		125.00	315.88	157.52	2372.44
Mt. Vernon	J. Z. Houser, Rt. 2, Vale	125.00	3136.58	2000.00	160.00	8.12		145.04		164.55	371.87	55.60	2905.18
Mt. Zion	C. B. Lindsay, Casar, Rt. 1	700.00	916.80	612.00		45.00		46.24	16.35	50.00		20.00	773.24
Mulls Chapel	A. C. Peeler, Rt. 4, Hickory	1041.37	2357.88	933.72	38.00	1541.90		58.19		106.10		94.32	2772.23
Oak Ridge	Ernest Stephens R-2, Connelly Springs		4373.94	1738.00		254.08		156.77	36.42	180.42	870.00	423.40	3658.67
Olive Grove	C. M. Cook, Casar	390.28	1315.51	496.69		402.85		80.95	111.00	120.22		60.00	1271.71
Pleasant Grove	Roy Denton, Connelly Springs	301.82	1226.27	465.00	60.00		242.19	92.17	40.00	385.12		159.91	1444.39
Pisgah	Mrs. Robert Beam, R-1, Casar	51.14	1976.94	736.00	102.00	9.20		72.53	45.00	55.00		895.47	1915.20
St. John's	Miss Doris Brittain, Connelly Springs, R-1			502.44	266.25	38.23		55.17	22.30	115.21		109.35	1108.95
St. Paul	Carl Smith, Lawndale, Rt. 3	125.00	3038.47	659.40	226.42			149.22	266.91	111.00	1425.51		2910.06
Shoup's Grove	Miss Eva Crotts, R-1, Connelly Springs	1425.95	1597.27	726.80		150.00	419.00	120.00	10.00	141.97			1567.77
Smart's Grove	Mary Moses, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1		2793.00	360.00	23.00		17.00	19.40		218.63	2100.00	44.50	2782.53
South Fork	Mrs. D. D. Propst, Hickory, Rt. 4	934.27	4338.77	1372.22		438.30	1716.79	123.21	165.50	165.00		172.80	4153.82
Walker's Chapel	Miles Carswell, Morganton, Rt. 4	300.00	2632.74	802.21	60.00		1180.00	81.68	58.68	308.89		24.77	2516.23
Wilkie's Grove	Charlie Young, Rt. 4, Hickory	2052.00	2415.37	438.61				78.21	57.60	133.72		155.31	1563.45
Zion Hill	Stuart Ramsey, Rt. 1, Connelly Springs	12330.35	2385.02	480.00	15.07	81.76		142.74	30.85	75.00			1825.42
Zoar	C. E. Costner, Casar		2406.77	300.00	60.00		1637.50	30.00	31.93	132.00		62.00	2253.43
TOTALS		$24398.52	$72878.83	$27609.71	$3236.74	$4467.43	$7212.48	$3084.45	$1959.99	$4138.27	$8047.26	$6010.06	$70037.45

Table G. GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES, Etc.

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Co-operative Program (or Unified Budget)	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Schools, Colleges and Seminaries	Orphanage, Total Gifts	Designated to Hospitals	Relief and Annuity; Other Objects	Total Gifts for Missions	Grand Total for All Purposes	Balance All Funds
Abee's Chapel	Lamar Lowman, R-1, Connelly Springs	$	$	$ 46.65	$ 23.13	$ 23.13	$	$ 60.00	$ 53.00	$	$ 92.91	$ 1645.90	$ 1887.89
Bethany	Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Hildebran	1006.76		23.50	11.00	35.80	148.00	225.03	36.39	39.05	1525.53	11338.59	517.07
Beulah	W. A. Rhoney, Vale, Rt. 3											573.97	
Carswell Memorial	Celia Carswell, Morganton, Rt. 4	45.00		20.00				102.00	20.00		187.00	695.85	1771.64
Connelly Springs	Mrs. H. D. Smith, Connelly Springs, Rt. 2	507.32		105.00	44.15	34.00		119.17			809.64	5944.24	927.69
Corinth	H. G. McNeilly, Casar							14.79	10.75		25.54	730.42	50.00
Henry River	Mrs. Carrie Smart, Hildebran	16.13			14.50	4.50	20.00	7.00	15.00		77.13	2842.48	330.84
Icard	S. A. Carswell, Icard	500.20		8.00	24.14	32.13	30.00	176.13	56.10		826.70	9242.48	
Mt. Gilead	Gene Parker, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1								12.68		12.68	389.22	301.34
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. Mae Abernathy, Connelly Sprgs., Rt. 1	55.00		10.49	7.00	14.00		23.00	14.77	50.00	174.26	2546.70	1244.42
Mt. Vernon	Miss Lucille Upton, Vale, Rt. 2	27.00		4.74		8.15		118.65	12.50		171.04	3033.38	178.20
Mt. Zion	Sam Proctor, Rt. 1, Lawndale	50.66						55.30	20.75		127.21	900.45	700.00
Mulls Chapel	A. L. Rhoney, Rt. 4, Hickory							64.99	20.15		85.14	2857.37	658.24
Oak Ridge	Evelyn Chavis, Connelly Springs, Box 287	150.00	50.57	60.00	30.00	30.00	150.00	143.00	60.00	30.00	703.57	4362.24	11.70
Olive Grove	C. E. Crotts, Belwood				27.10			10.00	6.50		43.60	1315.31	274.39
Pleasant Grove	Mrs. McKinley Baker, R-1, Connelly Spgs.								14.72	40.00	54.75	1499.14	89.11
Pisgah	Clarence Parker, Lawndale	20.00						60.00	25.00		105.00	2020.20	7.88
St. John's	Miss Lillie Huffman, R-1, Connelly Spgs.								22.50		22.50	1131.45	
St. Paul	Claude Cook, Rt. 1, Belwood			50.16				60.00	18.25		128.41	3038.47	68.77
Shoup's Grove	Lee Roy Childers, R-2, Connelly Springs	4.50						25.00			29.50	1597.27	1425.95
Smart's Grove	Flora Lail, Connelly Springs, Rt. 1									10.40	10.40	2792.93	
South Fork	Mrs. J. J. Hudson, Hickory, Rt. 4	184.95									184.95	4338.77	
Walker's Chapel	Filo Huffman, Morganton, Rt. 4				25.00	10.00		61.51	20.00		116.51	2632.74	
Wilkie's Grove	Ranson Hudson, Hickory, Rt. 4			16.58				20.24	20.06		56.88	1620.33	2847.04
Zion Hill	T. E. Mull, Lawndale, Rt. 3	77.24		52.00	41.65		65.00	106.00	35.20		377.09	2202.51	562.45
Zoar	Delbert Chapman, Casar			30.00	10.00		4.00		12.84		56.84	2310.27	96.50
TOTALS		$2644.76	$50.57	$427.12	$257.67	$191.71	$417.00	$1452.31	$507.16	$169.45	$6004.78	$73652.68	$13951.12

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OFFICERS:

S. M. STROUPE, Connelly Springs, R. 1 _____ Moderator
J. E. HUFFMAN, Vale, R. 2 _____ Vice-Moderator
A. C. PEELER, Hickory, R. 4, Box 120 _____ Treasurer
MRS. J. D. GOODWIN, Hildebran, Box 439 _____ Clerk

1951 Sessions will be held on Thursday and Friday after the second Sunday in October (October 18-19)

First Day----------Icard
Second Day---Zion Hill

Grady Welch will preach the Doctrinal Sermon
L. A. Miller will preach the Missionary Sermon

OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION

I. EXECUTIVE BOARD

S. M. Stroupe
A. C. Peeler
Grady Welch
S. A. Carswell
W. M. Hudson
J. E. Huffman
J. D. Goodwin
A. V. Ledford
P. M. Deal
Clarence Parker
Mrs. J. D. Goodwin

II. OTHER OFFICERS

Sunday School Superintendent ..... Mrs. Ruth Hoyle
Training Union Director ..... Miss Martha Stroupe
Associational Missions Treasurer ..... J. Perry Abernathy
W. M. U. Superintendent ..... Mrs. Willie Young
Hospital Representative ..... J. David Goodwin
Orphanage Representative ..... A. V. Ledford

ORDAINED MINISTERS

Church	Pastor	Address
Abee's Chapel	Jason Stillwell	Rt. 4, Hickory
Berea	William N. Reese	Gen. Del. Morganton
Bethany	J. David Goodwin	Box 439, Hildebran
Beulah	Johnny Spake	Rt. 1, Casar
Carswell Memorial	B. B. Brooks	Rt. 1, Mooresboro
Connelly Springs	L. A. Miller	Connelly Springs
Corinth	L. B. Harris	Rt. 1, Mooresboro
Henry River	Grady Welch	1515 S. Marietta St., Gastonia
Icard	A. V. Ledford	Icard
Mt. Gilead	B. B. Brooks	Rt. 1, Mooresboro
Mt. Hebron	S. M. Stroupe	Rt. 1, Connelly Springs
Mt. Vernon	C. B. Bobbitt	Rt. 3, Vale
Mt. Zion	Roy Walker	Box 393, Cherryville
Mulls Chapel	J. E. Huffman	Rt. 2, Vale
Oak Ridge	Ralph Berry	Rt. 2, Connelly Springs
Olive Grove	W. L. Blanton	Belwood
Pisgah	Seth Ivester	St. Rt., Lawndale
Pleasant Grove	Watson Young	Ellenboro
St. John's	Dewey Newton	Rt. 2, Lawndale
St. Paul	J. E. Huffman	Rt. 2, Vale
Shoup's Grove	Oscar Tucker	313 Grier St., Lincolnton
Smart's Grove	Johnnie Smart	Rt. 1, Connelly Springs
South Fork	Ottis Mull	Rt. 3, Vale
Walker's Chapel	W. L. Blanton	Casar
Wilkie's Grove	W. L. Blanton	Casar
Zion Hill	N. S. Hardin	Rt. 4, Shelby
Zoar	Johnnie Spake	Rt. 1, Casar

OTHER ORDAINED MINISTERS

John Abee	R. 1, Connelly Springs
J. L. Bragg	Hildebran
Ottis Cook	R. 1, Casar
G. T. Greenway	Icard
Julius Hildebran	Hickory, Rt. 4
Albert Hudson	R. 1, Casar
M. A. Huffman	Icard
Harry S. Parker	Hildebran
Osco Parker	Hildebran
Howard Sain	R. 3, Vale
Chissie Smart	R. 1, Connelly Springs
Sanford Stamey	R. 1, Calander
J. J. Waldrop	Rt. 2, Vale, N. C.
R. W. Williams	Hildebran
Willie Young	Icard

Constitution

1. This body shall be known as "The South Mountain Baptist Association".
2. It shall be composed of messengers from Missionary Baptist Churches.
3. The messengers from any Missionary Baptist Church may be admitted into this Association upon recommendation of the Committee on Petitionary Letters and the majority vote of members present at any regular meeting.
4. Any church in good fellowship may, at her discretion, withdraw from this body.
5. This Association may at any meeting after investigation and report of a duly authorized committee of the Association by a majority vote declare a dissolution of union with any Church deemed corrupt, either in doctrine or practice.
6. Any church in this Association, with fifty members or under, may send three messengers, with one additional for each succeeding fifty members, or major fraction thereof.
7. At each session of this Association a Moderator, an Assistant Moderator, a Clerk, and a Treasurer shall be chosen by vote and shall hold office until their successors are elected.
8. The meetings of the Association shall be held annually beginning on Thursday after the Second Sunday of October, unless otherwise ordered by the Association or the Executive Board.
9. The design of this Association is to promote the cause of true religion within the several churches of which it is or may be composed, and to sustain the various objects fostered by the North Carolina State Convention and the Southern Baptist Convention.
10. This Association has no authority over any church nor any right to interfere with its internal concerns.
11. For the mutual benefit of the churches composing this Association it shall be the duty of each church to forward with messengers a written communication ot each annual meeting, specifying the names of messengers, statistics of the church for the foregoing year, giving account of its spiritual conditions, and stating the names of the pastor and other licentiates or ordained ministers connected with the church.
12. (a) In the interregnum between its regular annual sessions the business of the Association shall be committed to an Executive Booard of 10 members chosen carefully by the body with a view to their capacity and interest in the work fostered by the Association, and shall report their proceedings at each Annual Session of the Association.
(b) The board shall hold an annual meeting on the Wednesday first after the adjournment of the Association of each year, or as near as possible, at which it shall perfect an organization, appointing such committee from its membership as the interest of the work may demand.
(c) The officers of the Association shall be the officers of the Board.
(d) The Board shall hold an annual meeting, at which time the work of the year shall be planned and launched; monthly meetings thereafter and special meetings at the call of the chairman.
(e) Two successive absences from the regular meetings of this Board without satisfactory explanation on the part of any member shall automatically render his place on the Board vacant.
(f) The Board shall have the power to declare and fill vacancies that may occur between the annual sessions of the Association.
(g) Six members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of Business.
13. The special and standing committees shall be appointed by the Moderator.
14. This Constitution may be altered or amended by two-thirds of the members present at any annual meeting provided such alterations or amendments shall be submitted in writing at one session and acted upon at the next.
15. "Kerfoot's Parliamentary Laws," as far as applicable, shall be followed in the government of the Association.

Rules Of Order

1. Every meeting shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. All questions of procedure shall be decided by Kerfoot's Manual of Parliamentary Practice.
3. In view of the fact that the officers of our Association come to the annual meeting with plans made for the session, be it resolved that we elect our officers at the close of the meeting to act till the close of the next annual meeting.

AMENDMENTS TO RULES OF ORDER

1. No person shall speak more than twice on the same subject, except by the permission of the Association.
2. No subject which has been decided by the Association shall be considered again during the same session, unless a member who voted in the majority shall move reconsideration.
3. Churches that make application for membership in the Association shall be received under the watchcare for one year, then, if they prove to be sound in faith and cooperative in our denominational work, shall be received into full fellowship.
4. All questions be decided by a majority vote of the members present.

CHURCHES AND THEIR MINISTERS

ABEE'S CHAPEL—Mrs. Tessie Smith, Mrs. Pearl Lowman, P. M. Deal, Mrs. Odis Lowman, Roy Lowman, Odis Lowman.

BEREA—Jim Tominlison, Jim Bess, E. D. Berry, J. G. Bryant.

BETHANY—J. Perry Abernathy, Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, J. R. Huffman, Theodore Van Horn, Mrs. Martha Corn, Mrs. D. A. Johnson.

BEULAH—Mittie Lackey, Billy Sain, C. L. Blackwood, Bobby Sain, Ray Lackey, Everette Sain, Paulind Hoyle, Gladys Hull, Horace Sain.

CARSWELL MEMORIAL—Mrs. C. R. Poteet, Mrs. C. V. Moore, J. J. Carswell, J. M. Carswell, Newlon Carswell, Elbert Carswell.

CONNELLY SPRINGS—Clyde Arnold, Mrs. Mary Hudson, Mrs. Walter Berry, Mrs. L. A. Miller, Mrs. F. M. Smith, Mrs. Maggie Elliott, Mrs. Cylde Arnold.

CORINTH—Carmie Wortman, Raymond McNeilly, A. G. McNeilly, C. S. Botts, Victor Hoyle, Edley Canipe.

HENRY RIVER—Mrs. Carrie Smart, Mrs. Vance Brittian, Miss Iris Weaver, Mrs. Lawrence Berry.

ICARD—Miss Lottie Carswell, Mrs. A. V. Ledford, S. A. Carswell, P. A. Berry, Mrs. J. B. Epps, Mrs. H. C. Williams.

MT. GILEAD—Bill Parker, Gene Parker, Roscoe Smith, Sanford McNeely.

MT. HEBRON—Mrs. Hoyle, Mrs. Virgie Cooke, Jack Lail, Richard Bradshaw, Mrs. Bunnie Taylor.

MT. VERNON—Kermit Pendleton, Mrs. Iva Jenks, Mrs. D. M. Tallent, Jesse Houser, Paul Leatherman, Mrs. D. C. Upton, J. Z. Houser, W. F. Wesson.

MT. ZION—Jess Davis, Ralph Short, Mrs. Ralph Short, Sam Proctor, Mrs. Sam Proctor, Hartsell Yount, Mrs. Hartsell Yount.

MULL'S CHAPEL—A. C. Peeler, D. R. Rhoney, Clyde McClurd, Edison Keller, Linwood Brittain, Mrs. Carrell Rhoney, Mrs. Arlandos Rhoney.

OAK RIDGE—Mrs. Gilbert Chavis, Gilbert Chavis, Mrs. J. L. Beach, Mrs. Lenas Carpenter, Mrs. Dewey Duckworth, Dewey Duckworth.

OLIVE GROVE—Cleveland Crotts, Hazel Lindsay, Grier Scism, A. T. Spake, C. M. Cook, C. E. Crotts

PLEASANT GROVE—Joe Walker, Mrs. Joe Walker, McKinley Baker, Mrs. McKinley Baker.

PISGAH—Dock Hasting, Mrs. Dock Hasting, Miss Minnie Mace, Mrs. Stanley McNeely, Clarence Parker, James Bubb, Ann Pruett, Jenel Parker.

ST. JOHN'S—Jink Brittain, Mrs. Jink Brittain, Frank Hoyle, Mrs.

Frank Hoyle, Hughes Huffman, Mrs. Hughes Huffman.

ST. PAUL—R. A. Newton, Mrs. C. H. Crotts, C. H. Crotts, Bob Willis, Marion Benfield, R. C. White, Clarence Down.

SHOUP'S GROVE—Charles Carpenter, J T. Berry, Betty Jean Hildebran, Katherine Hilderbran.

SMART'S GROVE—Chissie Smart, Flossie Smart, John Abee, Ada Abee, Willie Lail.

SOUTH FORK—Etta Stilwell, Miss Nancy Beaver, Vertis Ogle.

WALKER'S CHAPEL—Miles Carswell, Filo Huffman, Frank Carswell, Miles Huffman, J. M. Huffman.

WILKIE'S GROVE—Edna Herman, Mary Greenhill, Charlie Martin, W. A. Burns, W. J. Burns, William Clark, J. P. Brittain.

ZION HILL—T. E. Mull, W. M. Hudson, Stuart Ramsey, Marshall Buff, Mrs Fred Sain, Mrs. Pearl Ramsey.

ZOAR—Lester Lail, D. W. Chapman, Mrs. D. W. Chapman, Everett Costner, Mrs. Carl Whitworth, Mrs. Flay Whitworth.

PROCEEDINGS

40th Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association October 12, 1950

1. The Fortieth Session of the South Mountain Baptist Association was called to order at 9:30 a. m. by Moderator S. M. Stroupe, in the Auditorium of the Oak Ridge Baptist Church.

2. A. V. Ledford led in singing "We'll Work Till Jesus Comes" and G. T. Greenway brought a devotional message from Matthew 22:15.

3. Words of welcome were given by Guy Smith of the host church. Response by N. S. Hardin.

4. The Moderator recognized the following visitors, Dr. E. L. Spivey, State representative; Mrs. Minnie Knox, South Fork Association; Mr. Reese, Haywood Association; N. S. Joiner, Union Association; M. L. Hastings, Pastor of Warlick Church, South Fork Association.

5. The Moderator read a list of Committees which were appointed by him, all of which will be found in the list of Committees.

6. Mrs. Ruth Hoyle read the report on Vacation Bible Schools which was adopted as follows:

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Certainly our churches are becoming more aware of the blessings and benefits received from our Sunday School being carried over into the week days which we call our Vacation Bible School. It affords one of the greatest opportunities of our churches to reach our children and teach them more of Gods word. His word we are told is more to be desired than gold. Psalm 19:10. We all remember reading how people sacrificed one hundred years ago in the Gold Rush. But gold can be stolen, lost and cannot bring peace and salvation.

While Christian training in early life does not always guarantee one will be a Christian it is a great determining factor.

We had in our association this summer eleven (11) schools, I have the full report of eight. We had set our goal for fifteen (15) schools.

Here is the enrollment and average attendance of eight:

SCHOOL	ENROLLMENT	AVERAGE ATTENDANCE
Henry River	73	131
Bethany	130	93
Icard	122	105
Mt. Vernon	77	53
Mt. Hebron	71	63
Mulls Chapel	65	41
Oak Ridge	64	58
Connelly Springs	62	55

The three that do not have a report are Zion Hill, South Fork, and St. Paul.

The highest grade reported is a double B. made by the Bethany Church.

The schools were conducted at a total expense of $347.46. Sure it cost something to be a christian but it costs more not to be one.

Contributions, designated state missions, orphanage, and cooperative programs, amounted to $74.55. Through these offerings it made our youth see and realize the part that they can play in carrying on our Lord's work through the Baptist program.

We can and must always set our goal high therefore let us not give up that we fell short of our fifteen (15) schools this year, but be evermore determined to make an even higher goal next year.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Russel Hoyle

7. J. David Goodwin brought the report on Baptist Training Union which was adopted and reads as follows:

THE BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

The Baptist Training Union is an organization in our Baptist churches for every member. The purpose of this vital organization is to train in church and christian service and efficiency.

Certainly everyone who assumes a position is made to realize that he must have some training for the work before he is able to carry on at his best. Should this need for training not be even greater in the Master's work.

Let the words of Paul, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth", bring to us a challenge.

Not half of our churches have a Training Union, and only one of the four districts is active. This should challenge the churches with unions to help those without. If we could get a Training Union in every church we would not be confronted with the problem of finding trained church members to fill the places of leadership.

Pastors and church leaders, will you strive to do all you can for Training Union this year?

Respectfully submitted,
Martha Stroupe

8. The report on Baptist Hospital was read by J. David Goodwin and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital was incorporated in 1922 and received its first patient May 28, 1923. Originally planned as a 100 bed institution, it was enlarged in 1942 to a capacity of 247 beds and 55 bassinets. The Out-Patient Building was opened July 1, 1946.

When Jesus was on earth, He gave us a great task. This task is in three phases of work, namely Preaching, Teaching, and Healing. We have done a good job, but not good enough. Our hospital has been outgrown by our Baptist people. Our convention has seen the need of enlarging our hospital if we are to be able to minister to the people. Surely we do not want to let the people suffer if en-

larging our hospital will bring relief. I think if we study the Life of Jesus in the New Testament, we will find that almost, if not in every case that Jesus ministered to, He healed their bodies, then their souls. If we minister to the soul, we must also minister to the body. A sick or broken body is interested usually first in a remedy for their pains.

We hear much being said these days about "Divine Healing". I believe in this Method of healing as much as anyone. I believe Jesus has the same power today that He had when He was on earth, but as was said in the paragraph above, Jesus has given us the task. What could be more inspiring to us, and bring more to believe in the reality of christianity, than to minister to the suffering of mankind through our hospital?

You remember, I am sure the problem that confronted North Carolina Baptists a few months past. The question whether we should accept money from the government to build a much needed wing to our hospital. We rose up against the receiving of this money. We said we would build this Baptist Hospital with Baptist money. Are we going to keep our word and our honor, or are we going to become a laughing stock to those who did receive the money from the government? If we fail to raise the money that this wing might be erected, we did not vote only that we not accept money from the hands of the government, but we voted to let humanity suffer. I do not believe that Baptists of this association will let our people down. Let us get busy and give our share of the 700,000 dollars; let us build this wing that we might have the "Well Done" spoken by the Lord upon us.

If your church has not made your contribution to this project, please go back to your people and urge them to do so at once. Let's not be a Priest or Levite (willing to look on the suffering but not willing to give aid) but let us be good Samaritans and give our money that the suffering will be cared for.

Respectfully submitted,
J. David Goodwin.

9. The above reports were spoken to by Dr. E. L. Spivey in a great message on the "Program of Jesus", urging us to be co-operative missionary Baptists.

10. A. V. Ledford led in singing "Blest Be the Tie", after which J. E. Huffman led in prayer.

11. The report on Sunday Schools was read by Guy Smith, spoken to by him and adopted as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

During the past year 11 regular associational Sunday School meetings were held, with 17 of the 26 churches taking part, and approximately half of the pastors attending. The average attendance was 154.

Teams have been selected to carry next year's program into all the churches.

It is our sincere prayer that all 26 churches may be reached and that the work of the Sunday School will go forward in a greater way than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,
Guy Smith, Asst. Supt.
Mrs. Wm. Hudson. Sec.

12. The report on Women's Missionary Union was read by Mrs. C. B. Bobbitt and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

As we come to the close of another year and take note of the work that has been done, there is always a very earnest wish that more might have been accomplished for the furtherance of the Gospel. There is also a prayer that God may give us another year to be "laborers together".

A total of $408.92 was given through the co-operative Program and special offerings, with 79 W. M. S. tithers and 93 young people tithers.

We have had a very good mission study year, 93 members completing a study and 126 reading one or more approved missionary books. Our Literature report

shows a decided gain, both in the Royal Service, Biblical Recorder, and Home Missions.

Over one hundred and fifty of our women and young people are busily engaged in soul-winning and Christ-like living in their own community, and I am sure many more are going about doing good in their own humble way.

Mrs. Harold Smith our new Young People's Director has worked faithfully with the Young People and associational officers. A small number of our boys and girls, attended the summer activities for the Girl's Auxiliary, and the Royal Ambassadors.

Miss Ruth Province, of Raleigh, Miss Margorie Spencer, of Chile, and our State Divisional officers who were in our special meetings during the year brought words of inspiration and encouragement as we rededicated our lives and our possessions to a mighty Missionary Crusade "For God and Home and Every Land, this our sixty second Commemoration year."

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. S. Young

13. All pastors, Sunday School superintendents and teachers were recognized at this time.

14. We had the roll call of churches at this time with twenty five churches represented.

15. J. David Goodwin spoke at this time to the Baptist Hospital report.

16. Berea Baptist Church sent in a Petitionary Letter asking for admittance into the Association. The Association voted to accept them on the terms of the constitution.

17. Report of Committee on Committees:

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES REPORT

PLACE AND PREACHER—Willie Hudson, R. C. White, Ralph Berry.
FINANCE COMMITTEE—P. M. Deal, Edison Mull, Grady Welch.
NOMINATING COMMITTEE—A. V. Ledford, R. C. White, W. D. Duckworth.
PROGRAM COMMITTEE—J. David Goodwin, N. S. Hardin, L. A. Miller.
RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE—Mrs. C. B. Bobbitt, Mrs. A. V. Ledford, Mrs. Fred Sain.

Respectfully submitted,
N. S. Hardin
Guy Smith
S. A. Carswell

18. The congregation stood and sang the old hymn, "Send the Light" after which A. V. Ledford brought us a great doctrinal sermon reading scripture from 1 Corinthians 1st chapter.

19. After a word of prayer the Association adjourned for lunch.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

20. The Association was called to order at 1:30 p. m. by Moderator, S. M. Stroupe. Mrs. Carrie Smart led the song service and Johnny Spake led the devotional.

21. Grady Welch read the report on Christian Education which was adopted as follows:

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

In Matthew—chapter 28 , verse 29, we find these words, "teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and lo I am with you always even unto the end of the world." Christian education is teaching men concerning God. When we think of christian we think of people who have been born again by the spirit of God and are willing to walk in the steps of the Master our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

We are delighted to know as Baptists in North Carolina that our colleges have continued since 1884. We are also proud to know that we have seven Baptist Colleges and we have 5000 students of which 4000 are Baptists.

When we think of our text above of the words of Jesus, he said teach them all things whatsoever I have commanded you. When we think of christian education we think of all things Jesus taught his disciples.

Respectfully submitted,
Grady Welch.

22. Chaplain R. K. Young of the N. C. Baptist Hospital spoke at this time giving us much valuable information regarding the work of the hospital.

23. The Moderator read a card from the Wake Forest College Library, asking for back minutes of the Association. If you have any of the minutes will you please send them to: Mrs. Ethel T. Crittenden, Wake Forest College, Wake Forest, N. C. The list is as follows:

1919, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1939, 1942, 1945-1946.

24. The State Missions Report was submitted without reading, and was adopted as follows:

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS

The main objective of State Missions is, "TAKE NORTH CAROLINA FOR CHRIST."

We have not taken it with only six hundred thousand Baptists and perhaps a million unchurched, is proof that it is not Christian.

State Missions is a big program with many different activities. Among these activities are: helping weak churches support their pastors, purchasing lots to build new churches where they are needed, assisting in Training Programs in Sunday School, B. T. U., W. M. U., and Brotherhood in the association and B. S. U. in our colleges.

State Missions also work with the Negroes and Indians. There are also provided two summer assemblies, Fruitland near Hendersonville and Caswell Assembly. Preachers school is held at Fruitland Assembly during the winter months.

There is also a Ministry provided for the institutions owned and operated by the state, such as the Sanatorium at Black Mountain, State Hospital for the insane, and training for boys at Rocky Mount.

The department of Evangelism was organized by and under the leadership of Rev. J. C. Canipe. It has been a great service in many ways, scores of meetings have been held with hundreds being saved. This Evanglism Program is held in just one church, two or three, and in twenty-five or thirty churches, and sometimes the whole association, proving great results in all.

We live these days in such a fast moving world, surely everyone should be on the alert for Christ.

Let us give to the Co-operative Program and to State Missions, and by giving, help take North Carolina for Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
L. A. Miller

25. The report on Home Missions was read by C. B. Bobbitt, spoken to by him and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS

We are living in a world of uncertainties. Greed, covetousness, and distrust is displayed throughout the world. Our home front is becoming weakened. Seeds of Communism and racial hatred are being sown by the enemy. Our Churches are not filled; homes are being shattered and broken.

Our homeland is sick and needs a physician. We need one who will heal us of all our infirmities. We need one who will right our wrongs and give us spiritual health. One who will not only save the lives of men, but will save the souls of men also, and send them out to face a cruel and belligerent world with the love of God in their hearts.

We have that One and the remedy is the Saviour of the world. He came to bring peace and good-will to all men. He preached, taught and healed all that would trust Him. He then chose His disciples to carry on the work He left in their hands. He gave them a great Commission! He told them to begin at Jerusalem (where they were) and to carry His Gospel to the ends of the earth.

Hence, w have Home Missions. We must begin at Home where we are Home Missions is the starting point and the springboard for all other Missions. The need for Home Missions is not only great but urgent. Today we have 39,-000,000 people who are unevangelized and unchurched in the territory served by the Home Mission Board.

The Home Mission Board has helped to constitute 10,012 new Baptist churches since it was organized in 1845. Ninety cents of every Home Mission dollar goes direct to Mission service, and 5.3 per cent is used for Missionary education and only 7.8 per cent for administration and promotion.

Home Missions does what the weaker states are unable to do by cooperating with the State Mission Board. It gives the Southern Baptists the assurance that no needy field will be overlooked. The fields of Home Mission territory are white unto harvest. What are we going to do about the lost in our homeland?

May we all go witnessing with our lips, our possessions, and with our money to those who know not Christ. When we go under His direction, we have the assurance that He will be with us to the end of the ages.

Respectfully submitted,
C. B. Bobbitt

26. The Foreign Missions report was read by N. S. Hardin and adopted as follows:

FOREIGN MISSION REPORT

Advance has been the keynote of Foreign Mission Board's program during 1949 and 1950. There has been advance in the overall undertaking of foreign missions, advance in the extent of work projected on the foreign fields.

Let us look first at the overall figures. It is practically impossible for me to secure complete figures on the number of baptisms in all mission fields, particularly in china. In 1949, with no final reports from China, our records show 13,322 baptisms. Allowing a normal figure for China under present conditions and based upon information we have received from various areas of China, we can safely estimate the number of baptisms for all areas at a total of 15,000 for 1949.

The boards total receipts for the year, a grand total of $5,319,261.04. This represents an increase of $465,313.77.

We appointed 67 additional missionaries. Our total number of active missionaries are over 700.

We must come to the realization that without Christ humanity is lost. Before anyone will volunteer for task calling for sacrifice, he must be assured that there is a real need. Surely Southern Baptists could not but respond if they could hear the urgent pleas for additional missionaries, which the board has received within the past months or weeks. Latin America is calling for 149 new mis-

sionaries. In Japan classes have been discontinued in our middle school, college and university because of the lack of teachers. Forty nine new missionaries are requested for Japan this coming year. In Nigeria 16 teachers, a doctor and several nurses are desperately needed if the work which has been started is to be carried on. An urgent call has come from Palestine for preachers and teachers. This is representative of the calls that are coming from all the areas where we have mission stations. And soon we must consider the needs of new areas Southern Baptists hope to enter.

May we hear the voice of God, as Isaiah the Prophet heard it, Isaiah 6:8. Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, here am I; send me.

Respectfully submitted,
N. S. Hardin

27. The report on Temperance and Public Morals was read by Seth Ivester, spoken to by him and adopted as follows:

TEMPERANCE AND PUBLIC MORALS

The growing grip of drink under repeal is startlingly demonstrated by the fact that in the sixteen years since the repeal of prohibition, American consumers spent $92,470,000,000 to drink 36,027,000,000 gallons of alcoholic beverages.

In fact in 1934 (the first complete year of repeal) Americans spent over two billion dollars for over one billion gallons of liquor, but in 1949 the nation spent the amazing sum of eight billion five hundred fifty million dollars for almost three billion gallons of liquor.

Temperance—every intention and effort of the traffic is being used that people may drink more.

During 1949 more than $150,000,000 was paid out by the liquor interests in advertising, following more and more the propaganda pattern.

Lavish colors and typographical ornaments and extravagant radio and television programs are being used to represent beer as the necessary central attraction of good fellowship for every special occasion.

Realizing the necessity for a more aggressive fight against the organized liquor traffic and for a more adequate program of alcohol education in the State of North Carolina, representatives from thirteen of the leading denominations in the State—namely: Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, A. R. P., Evangelical and Reform, Congregational, Christian, Disciples of Christ, Moravians, Quakers, Wesleyan Methodist, Penticostal Holiness, Pilgrim Holiness and Church of God, assembled in Greensboro on March 25, 1943 and organized The Allied Church League, a church organization that supplanted the United Dry Forces which did not have the official financial support of the denominations as such. This organization was chartered by the State of North Carolina and was to be financed through appropriations from denominations budgets. The League has today become a potent force in the fight for the abolition of a beverage alcohol.

Since 1937 the ABC forces have made an intensive effort to increase the wet territory in North Carolina. Twenty-nine county-wide elections have been held, with twenty-six voting against and three voting for ABC stores.

The 1935 Legislature granted the legal sale of beer and wine in each county without a vote of the people. This condition remained until 1947 when the General Assembly reluctantly passed a law permitting counties to vote. Immediately after its adjournment many counties circulated petitions to secure a vote. Since March 1, 1948, forty-three counties have abolished the legal sale of both beer and wine. Two have voted to retain it. Nine counties now have petitions filed with Board of Elections and several of these have dates set. More than half of the counties in the State will be bone dry when these have voted.

Governor Scott is determined that the people of North Carolina shall have a chance to vote on the liquor question during his administration. Plans are now underway to introduce a bill for a state-wide referendum in the coming General Assembly. Bills will also be introduced to repeal the gallon law, to ban beverage alcohol advertisement and to set up a supervisor of temperance education in the Department of Education so that the present program created by law will be car-

ried out more effectively and efficiently.

None of us liveth to himself and no man dieth to himself. The life of the individual affects the life of the community. Private morality becomes public morality. The condition of society which affect us are very important.

J. Edgar Hoover of the FBI tells us that one out of every 17 persons in the United States is a criminal. The cost of crime in this country is $15,000,000,000 annually. Major crimes are committed at the rate of one every 22 seconds. Crime is one of America's major problems and gambling is prevalent in our land to an alarming degree.

Respectfully submitted,
Seth Ivester

28. Vice-Moderator, J. E. Huffman made a motion that the Association go on record as being opposed to the sale of liquor. Motion was carried.

29. The congregation stood and was led in singing, "To the Work".

30. Report on Time, Place and Preacher Committee reads as follows:

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

Time: Thursday and Friday, October 18th and 19th, 1951.
Place: First day—Icard; Second day—Zion Hill.
Preacher: Doctrinal Sermon—Grady Welch.
Missionary Sermon: L. A. Miller.

Respectfully submitted,
Willie Hudson
R. C. White
Ralph Berry

31. With a word of prayer the Association adjourned to meet Friday morning at 9:30 with Corinth Baptist Church.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

32. The Friday morning session convened at 9:30 a. m. in the auditorium of the Corinth Baptist Church with Moderator S. M. Stroupe presiding. A. V. Ledford led the song service.

33. Words of welcome were spoken by L. B. Harris, pastor of the host church. Response by N. S. Hardin.

34. Devotional service was led by J. E. Huffman, reading scripture from the fifth chapter of Matthew.

35. The Associational Missions report was read by J. David Goodwin and reads as follows:

REPORT OF ASSOCIATIONAL MISSION TREASURER

Amount in Treasury October 1949	$112.00
Received during year	None
Paid out during year	None
Balance, October 13th, 1950	$112.00

I respectfully submit the following as a motion for your consideration:

First—that the Association adopt an Associational Mission Program with the executive committee of the Association to serve as a committee with the Treasurer to formulate plans and to hire an associational missionary.

Second—In event the above motion is rejected, I wish to make the following as an alternate motion: That the Association ask the delegates to secure the approval of their respective churches to transfer the monies now in the Associational Mission Treasury to the Association General Fund, at their next regular church conference and to so advise the Associational Mission Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Perry Abernethy

36. Baptist Brotherhood report was read by S. A. Carswell and reads as follows:

BAPTIST BROTHERHOOD

The Baptist Brotherhood of the Southern Baptist Convention has been organized about twenty five years. It is a great organization of christian men and boys, with its aim of bringing people to Christ and the great work of the church.

Any church wishing to organize a Brotherhood should write their state Baptist Book Store or Southern Baptist Convention, Memphis (3) Tennessee. They are anxious to send you literature and advise you in the work. They have Bulletins and books at a nominal price to supply your need of a Baptist Brotherhood.

May we, the South Mountain Association, as a member of the great Southern Baptist Convention strive to organize a Brotherhood in every church in our association.

Respectfully submitted,
S. A. Carswell

37. A. V. Ledford read the report on the Baptist Orphanage which was adopted as follows:

OUR 1950 ORPHANAGE REPORT

In the 1949 report the Orphanage was compelled to announce that they had spent $56,000.00 more than had been received, this overdraft due to repairing so many old buildings and erecting some new ones. We were asked to give more liberally than heretofore, which we did. Last year we gave $32,000.00 more than was spent. Baptists gave more last year than had ever been given before, in one year, to carry on our great work, for which we are all thankful.

On March 21st, this year, the Co-Executors of the Robert M. Idol Estate turned over to the Orphanage $586,000.00 to be used in building a church at Mills Home, in memory of his mother, an infirmary, in memory of his sister, and a vocational building which the trustees feel should be in memory of Mr. Idol himself. This is the largest single bequest the Orphanage has ever received. An architect has been employed and plans and specifications are being prepared for these new buildings which should be started this fall.

Last year was another good year for our Orphanage—a year when 781 children was cared for, and the health of the children was excellent and they did well in school, fourteen graduating from Mills Home and five from Kennedy Home. The pastor, John Walton, baptized 70 into the church, also good work was done along spiritual lines at the Kennedy Home.

This year our Orphanage is having a number of changes in personnels. General Superintendent, Dr. Zeno Wall retired August 20th to his home in Shelby. Upon his retirement the trustees turned to Mr. W. C. Reed, Superintendent of Kennedy Home to fill the vacancy. Mr. Reed is now Superintendent of our Orphanage Homes. He is a man of culture and experience, and will, we feel sure, continue to be a tireless worker and safe leader. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Smith, of Boone has taken over at the Kennedy Home. He is Superintendent there with his wife assisting him. They are loyal Baptists. There are other changes at our Orphanage not mentioned in this report.

In our churches and institutions we are called upon to give up good pastors and workers, but the work goes on.

With 65 years of glorious history back of us; with a big building program immediately in front of us; with a new General Superintendent and a group of new workers coming to work with a band of old workers; with scores and scores of homeless children calling for shelter and sustenance; With thousands of generous hearts stand back of Orphanage with unfaltering faith in God we face the future, unafraid, feeling that, unless war continues, our biggest and brightest days are just ahead.

Let us continue to pray for our Orphanage, and give regularly and generously to it and thus help carry on the great work being done at both homes.

Respectfully submitted,
A. V. Ledford

38. The report on Baptist Literature was read by J. E. Huffman, spoken to by him and adopted as follows:

BAPTIST LITERATURE

Literature means learning from printed or written matter, that being true, it is important what is read. Paul warned Timothy, but continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of. Knowing of whom thou hast learned them (2 Timothy 3:14). The Bible is the book of books so literature of all literature, surely we should learn from it and it should be our guide. There is many many types of literature that Baptists use and believe in, Home and Foreign Missions publications, Biblical Recorder, Charity and Children. Sunday School literature published by our Baptist Sunday School Board. May we read what we should, and learn what we should know.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. J. E. Huffman

39. C. R. Upton, a visitor to the association spoke briefly about world conditions and led in special prayer for our Armed Forces.

40. The Relief and Annuity report was read by A. V. Ledford, spoken to by him and adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD

The reports reviewing the work of the Relief and Annuity Board, presented at the annual meeting of the Board in Dallas, on March 8th, showed 1949 to be a year of continued progress and enlarged service to Southern Baptists.
and

The Relief Department again spent more than it received in 1949 for the aged ministers and widows of ministers in an effort to prevent suffering and want among our old preachers. We urge the churches in each association to follow calendar of activities of the S. B. Conv. and take a fellowship offering for ministerial relief. We also urge the pastors in their respective states to join their Ministers Retirement Plan.

Reviewing the work in North Carolina we note there are too many pastors who do not have the protection offered by the Ministers Retirement Plan and the Widows Supplement to the Plan. Many of our pastors are retiring without any retirement benefits and are throwing a burden upon the relief department beyond its resources. Your State office desires the assistance of pastors, and others who have this protection, to assist in the work of enlisting others in the plan provided for them.

The broadened Social Security Bill, passed by the U. S. Senate on June 20, 1950, EXCLUDED ALL EMPLOYEES OF CHURCHES AND CHURCH RELATED GROUPS, from the Social Security program. The bill, as first drawn by the committee, included such employees, but at the insistance of Southern Baptist leaders, the committee changed the bill to EXCLUDE them. The Southern Baptist Convention, meeting in Chicago, passed a strong resolution requesting that religious groups be excluded. Now that the Senate has granted the request of Southern Baptists, it becomes IMPERATIVE that all employees, such as Educational Directors, Church Secretaries, janitors, etc., be enrolled in one of the plans of the Board, that they may not be made to suffer because of the position of Baptists on complete separation of church and state.

There are 1800 pastors in North Carolina and many lay workers. Since 1940 we have issued 938 certificates of membership in the Ministers Retirement Plan. Many of this number have left the State, retired or died. We have now just 577 active members. We have 71 retired and 19 widows who draw a check each month.

We would like to say that the majority of the members we have in the Plan pay on the maximum salary and perhaps would be the ones most able to accumulate something for their old age. The ones on smaller salaries, for some reason, have not joined and they are the ones that will need help at the age of retirement. Some say the church will not join with them. It takes the attitude that it is paying their pastor's insurance. We would like to make it clear that the church does not

pay into this fund for just their own pastor, but to help all pastors and church employees. It is so designed that each church a pastor serves during his participation in the Plan has a share in providing something for his old age. It would seem good for all churches he serves during his ministry, whether they are five or twenty five, to have some share in providing an annuity for him.

A minister who enters the Plan cannot lose. If at any time he wishes to withdraw his membership he can surrender his certificate and receive every cent he himself has put into the Plan, plus interest.

As to benefits from the Plan. We would say that if a man has been paying on an average salary of $3000 for twenty five years and becomes sixty five years old, he would receive $1500 per year the rest of his life and if he died after he was old enough to retire his widow would receive $750 per year the rest of her life. If he is a member of the Widows Supplemental Plan then his wife would be protected if he should die before the age of sixty five. The Raleigh office is ready and anxious to furnish full information to pastors, deacons, members of finance committees and others. Please write the office for more detailed information.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. M. A. Huffman

41. The congregation stood and sang, "Leaning on the the Everlasting Arm", after which N. S. Hardin brought the missionary sermon, reading scripture from Matthew's gospel, "The Great Commission", and John 3:16.

42. With a word of prayer the Association adjourned for lunch.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

43. The Association assembled at 1:30 p. m. with Vice-Moderator J. E. Huffman presiding. A. V. Ledford led the song service and Ralph Berry led the devotion, reading from Galatians 2nd chapter.

44. M. H. Kendall, representative of Mars Hill College brought a brief message on Christian Education.

45. Superintendent W. C. Reed, of the Baptist Orphanage spoke at this time giving us much valuable information regarding the fine work being done by the Homes.

46. The report on Co-operative Program was read by S. M. Stroupe and adopted as follows:

REPORT ON THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM OF THE BAPTIST STATE CONVENTION

A question often raised by members of our Baptist Churches: What is the Co-operative Program and how does it work? This is a good question and those who ask it desire to know the truth about the whole matter.

First of all, let us make a distinction between the Baptist Program and the Cooperative Program or a better term would be the Cooperative Plan. The Baptist Program comes out of the New Testament and may be found in Luke 4: 16-30 the address of Jesus in the Synagogue at Nazareth and in Luke 7: 17-23 when Jesus answered the question of John the Baptist. As church members it is our business to carry on the work that Jesus began, acting both individually and collectively. We can do much as individuals but we can do more by cooperating with other Baptists in our own church and in other churches. Very few in our churches are called to full time religious service whether in mission work, work with the orphanages, hospitals or schools, but all can and should share in the promotion of these agencies by practicing New Testament Stewardship. When therefore we work with others in providing support for these agencies, we are in the Cooperative Plan or Program.

Again, what the church budget is to the whole local church, the Cooperative Program or Plan is to our denomination as a whole. A church adopts a budget setting forth the needs of each object such as pastoral support, missions, etc. As

a part of the budget a missionary church will provide a certain percent for the State Convention, and Southern Convention. This percentage allocated to the two conventions goes through the Cooperative Program or plan.

The money raised for these convention objects is allocated as follows:

For objects of the State Convention:

State Missions, 13%, Hospital 7%, Christian Education 30%.

For objects of the Southern Convention:

Foreign Missions 23%, Home Mission 9%, Seminaries 8.5%, W. M. U. training school .5%, Relief and Annuity Board 7.5%, Radio Committee .95%, Baptist Brotherhood .5%, Southern Baptist Hospital .95%.

Total for State: 50%, Total for Southern Convention 50%.

Respectfully submitted,
W. S. Young

47. Report of Nominating Committee reads as follows:

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Your nominating committee wishes to present the following names as your officers for 1951:

Moderator—S. M. STROUPE
Vice-Moderator—J. E. HUFFMAN
Treasurer—A. C. PEELER
Clerk—MRS. J. D. GOODWIN

Respectfully submitted,
Nominating Committee,
A. V. Ledford, Chairman
R. C. White
W. D. Duckworth

48. Mrs. A. V. Ledford read the report of the Committee on Resolutions which was adopted as follows:

RESOLUTIONS

The Resolution Committee wishes to submit the following report.

We are grateful for all the opportunities we have had this past year in serving Christ together in this association. We are thankful for the great work of our leaders and officers and pastors in carrying on the work of our Master.

We pledge anew our loyalty, support and cooperation to our officers during the coming year in helping us to be about our Father's business.

To all visitors and those appearing on our program, who through reports and comments has made our associational meetings a great success. We wish to express our gratitude for their presence and inspiration.

Be it resolved that we, the officers, messengers, and visitors of the South Mountain Baptist Association, express to the pastors and members of Oak Ridge and Corinth Baptist Churches, our sincere appreciation for the bountiful meals, so graciously provided for us during this session of our association.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. C. B. Bobbitt
Mrs. A. V. Ledford
Mrs. Fred Sain

49. L. B. Harris spoke of 27 who had been lost by death and led in special prayer of thanksgiving for the lives of these departed and invoking God's blessings upon their loved ones.

50. The names of the Executive Board were submitted by the committee and will be found elsewhere in the minutes.

51. A. V. Ledford, Secretary of Evangelism, appointed by the State Board, spoke about the simultaneous revivals that are to be held in 1951, and our association is joining in these efforts.

52. A motion was made and duly seconded that the clerk send a statement of the amount of all the expenses of the association to each church at the time of sending out the Associational letters to the churches.

53. The congregation was led in singing, "Blest be the Tie", after which J. David Goodwin led in prayer closing a great session of the South Mountain Association.

S. M. STROUPE, Moderator
MRS. J. D. GOODWIN, Clerk

MINUTE FUND

Abee's Chapel	$15.00
Berea	5.00
Bethany	15.00
Carswell Memorial	6.00
Connelly Springs	15.00
Corinth	5.00
Henry River	8.00
Icard	10.00
Mt. Gilead	2.00
Mt. Hebron	10.00
Mt. Vernon	10.00
Mt. Zion	6.25
Mull's Chapel	10.00
Oak Ridge	10.00
Olive Grove	3.50
Pleasant Grove	6.00
Pisgah	7.00
St. Paul	8.00
Shoup's Grove	8.00
South Fork	3.00
Smart's Grove	5.00
Walker's Chapel	5.00
Wilkie's Grove	3.50
Zion Hill	6.00
Zoar	2.50
TOTAL	$184.75

OUR BELOVED DEAD

ABEE'S CHAPEL—Mrs. Willie Lowman.

BETHANY—Jack Setzer.

CONNELLY SPRINGS—Mrs. T. E. Decker, Mrs. Sarah Bowman, Rommie Bridges, Colman Page, H. B. Zimmerman, Erwin King, Philip Halliburton.

HENRY RIVER—Mrs. John Huffman, Jimmy Dameron.

MT. ZION—Mrs. Nancy Smith, Clim Wortman.

MULL'S CHAPEL—John Rhoney.

OLIVE GROVE—Mrs. Eliza Walker, Frank Biggerstaff, Clayton Johnson.

PLEASANT GROVE—Mrs. Lethia York, Harold Miller.

ST. JOHN'S—Mrs. Emma Smith.

ST. PAUL—Deacon C. C. Cooke, Deacon C. C. Crotts, Mrs. Alex Morrison, Mrs. Frank Garner.

SHOUP'S GROVE—Deacon G. H. Evans.

WALKER'S CHAPEL—Alice Cooke-Treddel.

ZION HILL—J. Z. Mitchem.

TABLE A. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location Rural V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Gains: Baptisms	Gains: Letters and Other Additions	Losses: Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total: Total Resident Members	Total: Total Non-Resident Members	Total: Grand Total Present Members	Special Information: Revival Meetings Held	Special Information: Number Tithers	Special Information: State Paper In Budget	Special Information: No. Years Present Pastor Has Served Church	Special Information: Does Pastor Live On Church Field?
Abee's Chapel	Rural	1886	2,4	Jason Stillwell, R-4, Hickory	5	4	1	134		134	2	9	No	3	No
Bethany	T	1885	All	J. David Goodwin, Bx. 439, Hildebran	11	11	11			352	1	62	No	3½	Yes
Beulah	Rural	1905	1,3	Johnie Spake, R-1, Casar	25	5	5			115	2	10	No	1	No
Carswell Memorial	Rural	1938	2,4	B. B. Brooks, Mooresboro	1		9	40	10	50	1		No	2	No
Connelly Springs	V	1899	All	L. A. Miller, Connelly Springs	6	1	18	138	44	182	2	40	No	4	Yes
Corinth	Rural	1884	1,3	L. B. Harris, R-1, Mooresboro	5		4	100	50	150	1		No		No
Henry River	V	1940	All	Grady Welch, Gastonia	5	5	2	85	98	183	2	24	No	3	No
Icard	V	1918	All	A. V. Ledford, Icard	7	1	12	226	25	251	1	50	No	2	Yes
Mt. Gilead	Rural	1888	1,3	B. B. Brooks, R-1, Mooresboro	4	1	3	50	63	113	2		No	16	No
Mt. Hebron	Rural		1,2,3,4	S. M. Stroupe, R-1, Connelly Springs	9		5	127	43	170	1	26	No	3½	Yes
Mt. Vernon	Rural	1924	All	C. B. Bobbitt, R-3, Vale	6	6	11	168	69	237	2	35	No	1	Yes
Mt. Zion	Rural	1848	1,2,3,4	Roy Walker, Bx. 393, Cherryville	9	1	2	93	92	185	1	3	No	1	No
Mulls Chapel	Rural	1871	1,2,3,4	J. E. Huffman, R-2, Vale	7		1	106	6	112	2	9	No	9	No
Oak Ridge	Rural	1943	All	Ralph Berry, R-2, Connelly Springs	11	10	7	96	25	121	1	40	No	½	Yes
Olive Grove	Rural	1884	1,2,4	W. L. Blanton, Belwood	11		5	126	73	199	2		No	1	No
Pleasant Grove	Rural	1876	2,4	Watson Young, Ellenboro, N. C.	1	0	11	73	26	99	2	8	No	3	No
Pisgah	Rural	1840	2,4	Seth Ivester, Star R., Lawndale	2	1	2	90	12	102	1	4		2	
St. John's	Rural	1842	1,3	Dewey Newton, R-2, Lawndale		3	3			83	2			3 Mos.	
St. Paul	Rural	1870	1,3	J. E. Huffman, R-2, Vale	9	6	5	255	177	427	2	3	No	2	No
Shoup's Grove	Rural	1890	1,2,3,4	Oscar C. Tucker, 313 Grier St., Lincolnton	13	4	1			126	2	10	No	2	No
Smart's Grove	Rural	1935	1,3	Johnnie Smart, R-1, Connelly Springs	3	1				64	2	2	No	5	No
South Fork	Rural	1937	All	Ottis Mull, R-3, Vale				92		92	1	15	No		No
Walker's Chapel	Rural	1915	1,3	W. L. Blanton, Casar	11		1			145	1	10	No	3	No
Wilkie's Grove	Rural	1893	1,2,3,4	W. L. Blanton	7					147	2	2	No	2	No
Zion Hill	Rural	1882	2,4	N. S. Hardin, R-4, Shelby	6	3	10	166	50	216	1	9	No	2	No
Zoar	Rural	1937	2,4	Johnnie Spake, R-1, Casar	2	8	7	49	14	63	1	3	No	1 Mo.	No
Berea	Rural	1947	2,4,5	W. N. Reese, Gen. Del., Morganton	8	7	7	35	15	50	3	16			No
Totals					184	75	143	2249	892	3968	43	390			

TABLE B. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adults	Extension Department	Officers Not Counted Classes and Departments	Grand Total Sunday School Enrolment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrolment	Average Attendance
Abee's Chapel	O. C. Carter, Valdese	12		14	15	12	7	35	35		2	132	85		
Bethany	Albert Brittain, Hildebran			25	20	34	31	27	80	20	10	247	153	130	93
Beulah	Cullen Cooke, R-3, Vale				12	18	25	22	38		2	117	85		
Carswell Memorial	J. E. Lindsay, R-4, Morganton			5		8	7	10	10			40			
Connelly Springs	Harald D. Smith, R-2, Connelly Spgs.		10	13	14	26	19	10	47	25	2	166	99	62	55
Corinth	A. G. McNeilly, R-1, Casar											115	75		
Henry River	Berl Childers, Hildebran	11		14	22	18	25	14	44		6	190	154	173	131
Icard	K. L. McRary, Icard	4		18	27	26	30	40	80			225	144	122	105
Mt. Gilead	Eugene Parker, R-1, Connelly Spgs			25	12		15		20			72	45		
Mt. Hebron	Richard Bradshaw, R-1, Connelly Spgs	19		15	23	29	28		61	1	13	189	90	71	63
Mt. Vernon	Kermit Pendleton, R-2, Vale			18	17	20	10	49	44		4	162	86	39	33
Mt. Zion	Bulan Short, Casar											63			
Mulls Chapel	R. D. Shuford, R-3, Vale	4		21	11	18	12	26	14			106	70	40	32
Oak Ridge	Bill Craycraft, R-2, Connelly Springs		14	11	12	20	23	33	32		3	149	94	65	62
Olive Grove	Hazel Lindsay, Casar			16	10		39	22	28		3	118	88		
Pleasant Grove	C. A. Martin, R-1, Connelly Springs	10	4	12	12	10	9	7	36			100	75		
Pisgah	N. W. Pruett, Casar			14	14	14	28	14	26		9	119	63		
St. John's	Frank Hoyle, R-1, Connelly Springs			22	11	12	6	16	28		8	103	65		
St. Paul	Marion Benfield, R-1, Belwood			19	11	32	34	49	81	2	5	229	122	44	42
Shoup's Grove	Henry Brittain, Icard			28	36	37	22	46	36		21	226	135		
Smart's Grove	R. E. Moses, R-1, Connelly Spgs.			23	9	15		18	36			101	65		
South Fork	Asst. Supt. D. D. Propst, R-4, Hickory			14	12	9	11	11	27			110	90	65	44
Walker's Chapel	J. M. Huffman, R-4, Morganton			17	17	25	13	41	39			127	80		
Wilkie's Grove	William Clark, R-4, Hickory			20	11	15	23	8	38			115	75		
Zion Hill	W. M. Hudson, R-1, Connelly Springs			17	19	17	27	23	80		5	188	100	65	45
Zoar	Lester Lail, R-1, Belwood				16	11		12	27			66	22		
Berea	E. D. Berry, Bx. 123, Connelly Springs			20	15	17	12	12	16			92	70		
Totals		60	28	401	378	445	457	545	1003	48	93	3567	1740	876	705

TABLE C. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	No. Nursery Units	No. Beginner Units	No. Primary Units	No. Junior Units	No. Intermediate Units	No. Young People Units	Adult Units	Total Number Units	Nursery Enrolled	Beginners Enrolled	Primaries Enrolled	Juniors Enrolled	Intermediates Enrolled	Young People Enrolled	Adults Enrolled	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
Abee's Chapel																			
Bethany	Mrs. Eugene Johnson, R-4, Bx. 840, Hickory		1	1	1	2	1	2	8		4	6	10	14	10	22	16	82	54
Beulah																			
Carswell Memorial																			
Connelly Springs	Mrs. John H. Simpson, Connelly Sprgs.	1				1	1	1	4	6				10	6	11	3	36	24
Corinth																			
Henry River	Mrs. Carrie Smart, Hildebran				1	1	1	1	4				17	13	16	25	1	72	37
Icard	Mrs. Dale Wilson, Icard		1		1	1	1	2	6		10		9	14	14	17	4	68	43
Mt. Gilead																			
Mt. Hebron	Harold Abernathy, R-1, Connelly Spgs.			1	1	1		1	4			8	8	9		7		32	26
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. C. B. Bobbitt, R-3, Vale				1	1	1	1	4				16	11	8	15	5	55	26
Mt. Zion																			
Mulls Chapel																			
Oak Ridge	Barbara Berry, R-2, Connelly Springs			1	1	1	1	1	5			12	9	15	11	15	2	64	47
Olive Grove																			
Pleasant Grove																			
Pisgah																			
St. John's																			
St. Paul																			
Shoup's Grove																			
South Fork																			
Smart's Grove	Allen Stafford, Icard		1		1	1	1	1	5		10		5	14	11	10		52	45
Walker's Chapel																			
Wilkie's Grove																			
Zion Hill	Pearlie Wright, R-3, Lawndale			1	1	1	1	1	5			10	7	16	16	13	2	64	42
Zoar																			
Berea																			
Totals		1	2	4	8	10	8	11	45	6	24	36	81	116	92	135	33	525	344

TABLE D. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	W.M.S. Units	G.A. Units	R.A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W.M.S. Enrolled	G.A. Enrolled	R.A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Enrolled in Mission Study	Total Tithers All Organizations
Abee's Chapel													
Bethany	Mrs. Bryan Setzer, Hildebran	1	1	1	1	4	17	16	12	10	55	16	15
Beulah													
Carswell Memorial													
Connelly Springs	Mrs.Claude M. Icard, Rutherford College	1				1	10				10	7	7
Corinth													
Henry River	Mrs. Johnsie Burns, Hildebran	1				1	25				25	3	10
Icard	Mrs. Howard Penland, Icard	1				1	21				21		
Mt. Gilead													
Mt. Hebron													
Mt. Vernon	Mrs. D. M. Tallent, R-2, Vale	1			1	2	25			18	43	25	8
Mt. Zion													
Mulls Chapel													
Oak Ridge	Mrs. Dewey Duckworth, R-2, Connelly Spgs.	1	1		1	3	23	10		18	51	20	21
Olive Grove													
Pleasant Grove													
Pisgah													
St. John's													
St. Paul													
Shoup's Grove													
Smart's Grove													
South Fork	Mrs. John Burns, R-4, Hickory	1				1	13				13		
Walker's Chapel													
Wilkie's Grove													
Zion Hill													
Zoar													
Berea													
Totals		7	2	1	3	13	134	26	12	46	218	71	61

TABLE E. BROTHERHOOD WORK—BUILDING—GOALS

CHURCHES	PRESIDENT OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	Brotherhood		Building		Goals
		Enrollment of Brotherhood	Meetings Held During Year	Value Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Goal Co-operative Program or Unified Budget New Year
Abee's Chapel					8737.01	
Bethany	Wilson Evans, R-2, Connelly Springs	22	12	5000.00	40000.00	
Beulah					15000.00	
Carswell Memorial					4000.00	
Connelly Springs				5000.00	20000.00	10% of Off.
Corinth					13000.00	
Henry River					16256.00	
Icard				7500.00	20000.00	
Mt. Gilead					2000.00	
Mt. Hebron				5000.00	9000.00	
Mt. Vernon				15000.00	25000.00	10% of Gifts
Mt. Zion					4000.00	
Mulls Chapel					10500.00	
Oak Ridge		13	6		16000.00	125.00
Olive Grove	Guy Smith, R-2, Connelly Springs				2385.75	
Pleasant Grove					5000.00	
Pisgah					6000.00	
St. John's					3550.00	
St. Paul					25000.00	
Shoup's Grove					2696.00	
Smart's Grove					5000.00	
South Fork						
Walker's Chapel					4000.00	
Wilkie's Grove				2000.00	8062.00	
Zion Hill						
Zoar					5000.00	
Berea						
Totals		35	18	39500.00	270186.76	

TABLE F. CHURCH RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Money Borrowed, Sale of Property, etc.	All Other Receipts Through All Organizations for Year	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary Here)	Maintenance, Insurance	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary	Grand Total Local Expense
Abee's Chapel	Ulen Lowman, R-1, Valdese		3482.09	120.00	16.00	2787.68	45.75	560.22	377.72		350.15	4257.52	795.00	5052.52
Bethany	Jones Abernathy, Hildebran		11688.15	517.00	433.52	1844.47	437.83	171.47	324.00	576.00	375.75	4680.04	3770.00	8450.04
Beulah	E. A. Rudisill, Hickory					50.00	50.00		140.00	1000.00	130.00	1370.00	300.00	1670.00
Carswell Memorial	Mrs. C. R. Poteet, R-4, Morganton		783.15	49.00	73.60		34.71		75.00		49.40	281.71	415.00	696.71
Connelly Springs	Mrs. G. D. Lester, Bx. 543, Valdese		5462.75	180.00	548.01		379.35	177.16	279.66		132.29	1696.47	2600.00	4296.47
Corinth	C. S. Botts, R-1, Casar						99.87		76.78		78.35	195.13	467.71	662.84
Henry River	Raymond Burns, Hildebran		4574.49		48.00		165.05	399.52	181.10	1092.27	1140.49	3026.43	1670.00	4696.43
Icard	Julia Carswell, Icard		8983.05	698.00	425.00	500.00	236.03	218.56	190.00	1000.00	1300.44	4568.08	3380.00	7948.08
Mt. Gilead	Eugene Parker, R-1, Connelly Springs			80.00			15.00		80.00			175.00	275.00	450.00
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. S. L. Lagle, R-1, Connelly Springs		3544.64		182.79		171.58	54.00	75.00		328.00	811.37	1560.00	2371.37
Mt. Vernon	J. Z. Houser, R-2, Vale		4132.04	261.40	186.71	1030.00	172.06		277.75		125.05	2052.97	1567.40	3620.37
Mt. Zion	C. B. Lindsay, Casar		3430.44		15.00	2623.24	45.76		90.00		24.00	2798.00	414.85	3212.85
Mulls Chapel	A. C. Peeler, R-4, Bx. 120, Hickory		2616.14		43.21		149.53	52.50	153.94		1044.74	1443.97	1218.55	2662.52
Oak Ridge	Ernest Stephens, R-2, Connelly Springs	500.00	5445.94	156.00		617.50	191.69	54.17	121.00	1025.00	425.82	2591.18	1595.00	4186.18
Olive Grove	C. M. Cook, Casar		1464.62		384.80		82.66	159.48	115.00		52.99	794.93	664.63	1459.56
Pleasant Grove	Roy Denton, R-1, Connelly Springs		1467.26	60.00	28.15	473.60	46.11		187.80		50.85	853.73	480.00	1333.70
Pisgah	Mrs. Robert Beam, R-1, Casar		1421.89	102.00	9.20		59.83	27.25	125.00		246.71	569.99	720.00	1289.99
St. John's	Sam Huffman, R-1, Connelly Springs				4.13	216.40	35.90	46.00	159.93		146.44	608.80	371.65	980.45
St. Paul	Carl Smith, R-3, Lawndale		1528.33		288.88		120.25	207.55	262.68	600.00		1479.40	649.00	2128.40
Shoup's Grove	C. W. Crotts, R-1, Connelly Springs		587.16		164.09		100.00		110.00			374.09	1031.06	1405.15
Smart's Grove	Mary Moses, R-1, Connelly Springs	1400.00		43.28			13.60	200.00	184.58	1028.70	120.96	1591.10	360.00	1951.10
South Fork	Mrs. D. D. Propst, R-4, Hickory	2500.00		120.00	3000.00	1758.88	105.33	38.05	210.60	210.00	297.10	5739.96	1050.50	6790.46
Walker's Chapel	Miles Carswell, R-4, Morganton			75.00		1699.05	55.11	32.00	189.15			2050.31	830.51	2880.82
Wilkie's Grove	Cletus Paige, R-4, Hickory		3243.10			600.00	73.00		187.15		25.00	885.15	1208.70	2093.85
Zoin Hill	Stuart Ramsey, R-1, Connelly Springs			60.00	45.71	20000.00	158.24	116.20	101.10			20481.25	574.91	21056.16
Zoar	Ottie Mae Whitworth, Casar		2455.17	60.00			32.00		94.57		90.18	276.75	300.00	576.75
Berea	Jim Tomlinson, Connelly Springs		1585.91	55.00	3.90	160.00	158.14	169.00	143.75			689.79	442.10	1131.89
TOTALS		4400.00	67896.32	2636.68	5900.70	34360.82	3234.43	2683.13	4513.26	6531.97	6534.71	66343.22	28711.57	95054.66

TABLE G. GIFTS FOR ALL MISSIONS, EDUCATION, ORPHANAGES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Relief, etc.	Total Expenditure for Missions	Grand Total Expenditure for All Purposes	Total Church Debt At End of Year
Abee's Chapel	Grady Abee, R-1, Connelly Springs			40.00	33.63	33.62		71.00	105.50		283.75	5336.27	
Bethany	Mrs. J. D. Goodwin, Bx. 439, Hildebran	495.37		162.55	107.00	173.80	20.00	135.58	207.39	8.00	1309.69	9759.73	1487.26
Beulah	Mittie Lackey, R-3, Vale											1670.00	2200.00
Carswell Memorial	Celia Carswell, R-4, Morganton	55.02		20.00				61.00	42.08		178.10	874.81	
Connelly Springs	Mrs. Harald Smith, R-2, Connelly Springs	200.00	23.45	109.00	11.60	15.00		66.77	75.00		500.82	4797.29	
Corinth	H. E. McNeilly, Casar			8.50				7.15	7.44		23.09	685.93	
Henry River	Carrie Smart, Hildebran	70.57		52.07	7.73	3.00		6.50	112.50		252.37	4948.80	
Icard	S. A. Carswell, Icard	480.00		38.30	13.82	56.00	25.00	163.85	113.00		889.97	8838.05	
Mt. Gilead	Eugene Parker, R-1, Connelly Spgs.								10.00		10.00	460.00	
Mt. Hebron	Mrs. Mae Abernathy, R-1, Connelly Spgs.			40.00	7.75	16.40		25.10	119.50		208.75	2580.12	
Mt. Vernon	Miss Lucille Upton, R-2, Vale	109.30		5.36		8.50			71.00	15.00	209.16	3329.53	
Mt. Zion	Sam Proctor, Lawndale	39.95						38.54	20.00		98.49	3311.34	
Mulls Chapel	A. L. Rhoney, R-4, Bx. 144, Hickory	50.00						71.75	20.00		141.75	2804.27	
Oak Ridge	Ruth Stephens, R-2, Connelly Springs	154.30		74.39	63.62	47.80	83.50	94.10	110.25	5.30	633.26	4819.44	1974.95
Olive Grove	C. E. Crotts, Belwood				5.06						5.06	1464.62	
Pleasant Grove	Miss Ruth Hoyle, R-1, Connelly Springs							10.00			10.00	1343.73	
Pisgah	Clarence Parker, Star R., Lawndale	10.00			10.00			20.00	60.00		100.00	1389.99	
St. John's	Miss Lillie Huffman, R-1, Connelly Springs								15.21		15.21	995.66	
St. Paul	R. C. White, R-1, Belwood			25.00				60.00	11.00		96.00	2224.40	
Shoup's Grove	Lee Roy Childers, R-2, Connelly Springs			20.18							20.18	1425.51	
Smart's Grove	Flora Lail, R-1, Connelly Springs								5.00		5.00	1956.10	
South Fork	Mrs. J. J. Hudson, R-4, Hickory	307.29						30.00	20.00	92.79	450.08	7240.54	2200.90
Walker's Chapel	Filo Huffman, R-4, Morganton			10.00		12.00		53.67	20.00		95.67	2976.49	
Wilkie's Grove	Ransom Hudson, R-4, Hickory			13.00				18.25	87.00	31.00	149.25	2243.10	
Zion Hill	Fred Sain, R-3, Vale	75.24		28.21	24.45			24.00	45.10		197.00	21253.16	
Zoar	D. W. Chapman, Casar			5.60	5.45		36.50	10.16	10.00		67.71	644.46	
Berea	E. D. Berry, Bx. 123, Connelly Spgs.							25.00	15.00		40.00	1171.89	
Totals		2047.04	23.45	652.16	290.11	366.12	165.00	992.42	1301.97	152.09	5990.36	101045.23	7863.11